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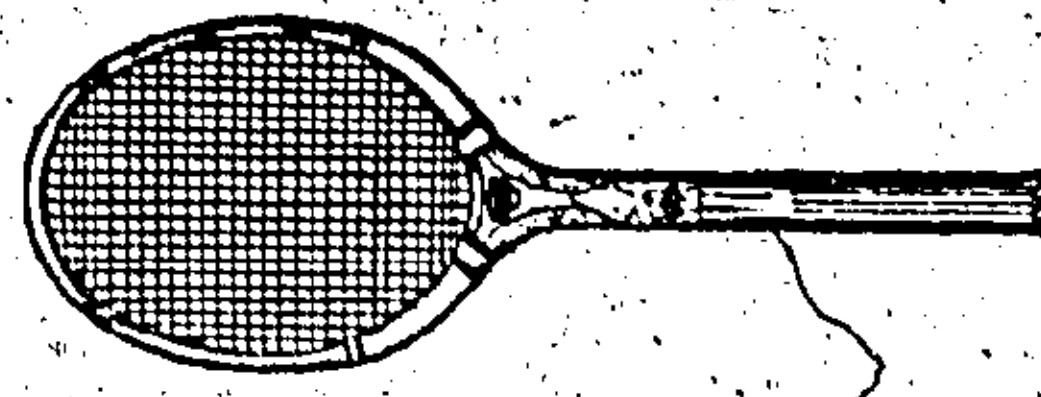
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MARINE INSURANCE.

FOOLISH COMPETITION DEPLORED.

FEATURES OF UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY MEETING.

UNDERWRITING EVILS.

Haphazard underwriting and ill-considered competition in the marine insurance market were stressed at the annual shareholders' meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., held this morning.

The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, who presided, in referring to the haphazard underwriting in the last few years, said he understood that underwriters to-day were inclined to be more careful and to ask for results before accepting new business. Speaking of ill-considered competition, resulting in cargo rates being brought to a very low level, he expressed the hope that life insurance companies and other underwriters would eventually come together and arrange an agreement to write the business at rates which would leave a fair margin of profit.

Reference was made to the continued prosperity of the Society, in spite of depressed trade and exchange difficulties, stress being laid on the fact that its investments in the United States, totalling over £1,000,000, had been unaffected by the New York Stock Exchange debacle last October.

EFFECTS OF DOLLAR DECLINE.

Addressing shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts were issued on the 6th May and you will therefore have had the necessary time to examine the figures which appear in the balance sheet. I propose therefore to follow the usual practice and take them as well as the Auditors' Report as read.

The Working Accounts for the year 1929, after paying a bonus to contributors of £13,334.10.10 and an Interim Dividend of 24/- per share amounting to £162,000 shows a balance of £129,826.15.9 available for distribution, and your Directors recommend that this balance be dealt with as follows:—A final dividend of 16/- per share on 135,000 shares to be paid to shareholders, absorbing £108,000, and that the balance remaining be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the Account for the year 1929.

The balance of the Working Account for the year 1929 is £440,790.14, and the Board recommends an interim dividend of 24/- per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing £162,000, and that a bonus of 20/- be paid to contributors of business on bonus terms, absorbing about £20,000, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Marine Insurance.

The business of Marine Insurance for the year 1929 appears to have been transacted on very much the same lines as for the past few years. Cargo rates have in some instances declined, although I believe for the most part they have remained very much upon the same level as the preceding year. The Hull market has been placed on a somewhat sounder basis and we read that increases have been secured on fleets where the record has not been satisfactory.

I think we can safely say that underwriters generally are more prone to watch carefully the statistics of their business, and this is all to the good. I think there is little doubt that during the last few years there has been a good deal of what might be termed haphazard underwriting. I understand that underwriters to-day are inclined to be more careful and ask for results before accepting new business. A close and accurate system to enable the watching of accounts as to profit and loss is an essential part of a good underwriting organisation and the present slender profits make it essential to give careful consideration to these details. I can assure you that this feature of our business is well cared for by Head Office and its Branches.

Foolish Competition.

A great deal of ill-considered competition still exists in the marine market and cargo rates during recent years have been brought to a very low level. If

there were an all-round increase in rates I do not believe there would be any legitimate cause for complaint. I would again repeat the often expressed hope that the leading Insurance Companies and other underwriters will eventually come together and arrange an agreement to write the business at rates which will at least leave a fair margin of profit. As the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton remarked in seconding the Chairman's speech last year "Insurance being in essential element in almost every mercantile transaction, it is therefore a matter of public interest that a basis of rates should be arrived at which will enable insurance business to be conducted on lines satisfactory to all concerned."

Although regular liners and the very large steamers ran free during the year from total loss there was the usual crop of serious accidents. An unfortunate casualty in which the Society was involved was the loss of the Hamburg American Steamer "Hochet" wrecked off the Island of Minicoy in the Indian Ocean. Another unfortunate accident was the serious fire which occurred on the great German Liner "Europa" whilst building. As usual, losses by fire in cargoes have from time to time occurred and underwriters have had to meet heavy losses from this peril.

Bad Year For Fires.

As regards fire business, the year 1929 was one of the worst that companies have experienced for many years. There was a serious increase in fire losses, particularly noticeable in the Home field but by no means confined to that field. In Canada, for example, when the results of the business for 1929 of Companies operating there are available, there is no doubt that the loss experience will compare unfavourably with the previous four or five years. There were some heavy fires in Australia and the position there is still far from satisfactory. The Continent of Europe also produced some high loss ratios, notably in Holland.

In some cases climatic conditions, the long cold winter and dry summer, contributed to the increase in severity of loss ratios. There is no doubt, however, that depressed trading conditions have also had their effect.

General business, under which heading I include motor car, accident and sickness, employers' liability and the like, continues to grow in importance and it would seem probable that the year 1929 was not altogether an unprofitable one so far as these classes of business are concerned.

Exchange Effects.

Before commenting upon our own underwriting results, I would like to make a few remarks upon the position of exchange and how

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BATTLE CENTRE SHIFTED.

NANKING'S LATEST STRATEGY.

SUCCESS CLAIMED ON THE PEKING-HANKOW RLY.

SHANTUNG CRISIS.

Shanghai, May 29.
Realising that it will be a stupendous task to smash the Kuominchun defensive line at Lanfeng, along the Lung-Hai Railway, the Nationalist Commanders have slightly changed their strategic plans by concentrating their efforts along the Peking-Hankow Railway, where the Nationalists have adopted the offensive against the Kuominchun allied forces since Wednesday.

General Ho Cheng-chun, the Nationalist officer commanding the troops along the Peking-Hankow Railway, claims the capture by the 47th Nanking Division of Hsuehchang, an important city long the Peking-Hankow Railway.

General's Claims.

In an official communique to Nanking, General Ho Cheng-chun claims that his troops assailed Hsuehchang since Wednesday and captured it yesterday morning, while the defeated Kuominchun troops retreated back to Chengchow.

Yesterday afternoon the victorious Nationalist troops from Hsuehchang occupied Nam Kwan, near Hsuehchang, whilst in pursuit of the rebels towards Chengchow. General Ho Cheng-chun is with the main body of the Nanking forces and declares that he will take Chengchow during the week-end.

The Nationalist Commander claims that 9,000 Kuominchun rebels were taken prisoner and they have since been sent back to the Nationalist Headquarters at Hankow. The whole Kuominchun Division at Hsuehchang was annihilated with a number of the high officers either wounded or taken prisoner by the Nationalist troops.

Shantung Critical.

Thousands of Nationalist troops from Nanking and Hsuehchow are pouring into Tsinanfu, the capital of Shantung Province, which is in a critical condition on account of the determined attacks from the Shansi Division under General Fu Tao-yi.

The Nanking officers at Tsinanfu claim that the Shansi Division under General Fu Tao-yi, which made a bold attempt to penetrate into Tsinanfu, has been repulsed by the Nationalist force under General Han Fu-chun.

Six aeroplanes with a large consignment of bombs and other ammunition arrived at Tsinanfu yesterday, together with a troop train with two Regiments of training corps from Nanking.

Japanese Report.

According to a Japanese source, the Nationalist Commanders at Tsinanfu were greatly alarmed yesterday when the news arrived that hundreds of plain clothes Kuominchun rebels had appeared at Chowtsun near the Kiaochow-Tsinanfu railway. It appears that the Kuominchun troops were cutting all the telegraphic wires along the railway, indicating their determination to sever all communication leading to Tsinanfu in order to facilitate their final attack on the city.

Later in the night the Nanking officers dispatched a train of troops for Chowtsun and as no news concerning the Kuominchun activities has been received from Tsinanfu it seems that the arrival of the Nationalist contingent has frustrated the Kuominchun attempt to damage the railway.

Simultaneous Fighting.

With the Kuominchun forces attacking from Shantung along the Tsinan-Pukow Railway and with the opposing armies at grips at Hanchang it appears that the Kuominchun Commanders are endeavouring to fight the Nanking defenders along the three principal railways in the North. It is hoped to outnumber the Nationalist force, which, while well equipped

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AUSTRALIANS WIN AT OXFORD.

AN INNINGS DEFEAT FOR THE UNIVERSITY.

GLAMORGAN BEATEN.

London, May 29.
The Australians scored an easy victory today in their match at Oxford against Oxford University, winning by an innings and 158 runs.

When the game was resumed this morning the Australians declared at their over-night total of 406 for two wickets. Of this total Ponsford was not out with 220 and Kippax carried his bat for 56. McCabe narrowly missed his century, his wicket being taken when he was 92.

Oxford could make few runs against the strong Australian bowling and in the first innings they were dismissed for 124, Grimmett taking five wickets for 48.

They followed on and curiously enough made exactly the same number of runs as they had done in the first innings, namely 124. Wall was the most successful Australian bowler this time, taking four for 29.

The match between Nottinghamshire and Glamorgan ended to-day at Nottingham when Notts won by an innings and 126 runs.

RIVER PIRATES FIRE ON LAUNCH.

Two Foreigners Badly Wounded in Shanghai Outrage.

WAGE MONEY STOLEN.

Shanghai, May 30.
A sensational shooting affray on the river this morning resulted in two foreigners receiving wounds from which they are not expected to recover.

A launch, with Mr. J. R. Harder, assistant surveyor in the Supervisor's Office of the Whampoo Conservancy Board, another foreigner, a compradore and two local men on board, was proceeding to Woosung from the South Manchurian wharf to pay the Whampoo Conservancy staff.

The launch was fired on by Chinese in a boat on the river and the Chinese then boarded the launch and stole over \$30,000.

Mr. Harder sustained six bullet wounds and the other foreigner and the local men were badly wounded and are not expected to recover.—Our Own Correspondent.

Glamorgan made 231 in the first innings, Notts replying with 443 for nine, when they declared.

When Glamorgan went in again they failed miserably, the whole team being dismissed for 86. In this innings Barrett took five wickets for 24 and Voce four for 23.—Reuter.

DEATH OF A LOCAL LADY.

MRS. G. T. MAY PASSES AWAY IN LONDON.

Many local residents will be shocked to hear of the death, which occurred in London on Tuesday, of Mrs. May, wife of Mr. G. T. May, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company.

The sad news was received by cable from Home, it being intimated that the deceased lady passed away following an operation.

The late Mrs. May, who was formerly Miss Esme Cornell, was extremely well-known locally and was a great favourite in social circles. Her death, at an early age, will be deeply regretted by her numerous friends, whilst the utmost sympathy will be felt for the bereaved husband as well as Mrs. May's relatives.

GIRL FLYER HEARD IN HONGKONG.

BROADCAST MESSAGE RECEIVED.

MISS JOHNSON COMBS HAIR AFTER CRASH.

STRUCK A FENCE.

Miss Amy Johnson's broadcast message from Australia was re-broadcast from the Home short-wave station, 5SW, the transmission being received in Hongkong about four o'clock this morning. Miss Johnson's speech was plainly heard by Mr. J. Gubbay, the well-known local radio amateur, who states that after being introduced by the Governor of Queensland, Miss Johnson expressed thanks for the many good wishes she had received.

She said she hoped to give fuller details of her flight later on as she was feeling rather tired at that time. She spoke in a pleasant voice which came through clearly and ended by saying "Good-night everybody, or rather I should say good morning".

New Telephone Used.

London, May 29.
The talk given by Miss Amy Johnson from Brisbane was heard in England this evening. Sir John Goodwin, Governor of Queensland,



introduced Miss Johnson and he referred to her "absolutely marvellous" welcome to Australia.

The recently opened Post Office telephone service between England and Australia was utilised to convey Miss Johnson's brief speech to London. A few phrases were lost owing to atmospheric but the main portions of the speech were plainly heard.—Reuter.

Combs Hair After Crash.

London, May 29.
Miss Amy Johnson escaped entirely uninjured from the crash at Brisbane to-day.

It would appear that as she was about to alight she realised that she would over run the landing ground and therefore re-started her engine intending to ascend and approach the ground afresh.

In doing so she struck a wire fence on the boundary of the ground and the machine dived into a field of standing millet turning almost completely over and smashing the propeller and wings.

A great crowd of anxious spectators raced to her help and arrived to find Miss Johnson standing by her machine calmly combing her hair, having suffered nothing more than a shaking.

She drove through great crowds to a reception at the City Hall and in the evening attended a reception arranged by the National Council of Women.

She hopes to repair her machine to enable her to continue the flight to Sydney in a few days.—British Wireless.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that a depression is shown over Tongkong and western China. The typhoon is about 100 miles S.E. of Ishigaki moving N.N.E. or N.E. The local forecast is:—S.E. winds, moderate.

FIRE BRIGADE MISHAP.

ENGINE DASHES INTO CRICKET CLUB RAILINGS.

BADLY DAMAGED.

Disaster overtook a fire-engine, one of those classed as "comparatively new," as it was speeding, shortly after eleven o'clock this morning, to the scene of a fire which had started in a stack of water-pipes on the Praya Reclamation at Wanchai.

In charge of a Chinese driver, and with its crew of six firemen, the engine, officially designated as "Appliance No. 11," had left the Central Fire Station and was proceeding in the direction of the call, along Des Voeux Road Central.

At the City Hall corner, where the tram lines turn into Queen's Road, the appliance overtook and passed a tramcar going in the same direction.

At this stage, the driver must have experienced difficulty in clearing the tram. At any rate, the engine dashed into the side-channel on the Cricket Ground side. The first incident in the series of collisions which followed could be traced by the lines of the wheels left impressed plainly on the road-way after the mishap. These tracks, after leaving the tram lines, led straight to a traffic shelter post where on a wet day, the policeman on duty at the junction, is usually stationed. Happily, he was not standing there when the fire appliance crashed by, scraping the iron post, carrying away an iron bracket, and shattering the wooden platform to smithereens.

From this point, the engine continued its career. After mounting the pavement, and still keeping a straight course, it crashed into the iron railings around the Cricket Club Ground, being then brought to a standstill after rebounding somewhat from the force of the impact. It was then observed that the uniformity of the railings had been disturbed where two iron up-rights had been bent apart after being struck by the front of the engine.

A Chinese fireman, who had anticipated disaster and sought to escape it, by a quick leap from the engine, fell on his back and bruised himself. Otherwise, no casualties resulted from the accident, all the other firemen, including the driver, having retained their seats.

A break-down gang arrived at the spot soon afterwards from the Central Station. It was then ascertained that most of the damage was confined to the front of the engine. The left front wheel was askew with the mudguard over it almost torn away, while the axle was also put out of alignment.

Such damage as there was, was sufficient to put the engine out of running, and this morning, following the accident, mechanics were observed laboriously restoring the appliance to a condition of mobility. It was later towed back to the Central Station.

The outbreak which was the indirect cause of this disaster, occurred amongst iron pipes stacked near the P.W.D. Workshop on the Praya East Reclamation.

The iron pipes, which are stacked closed to the sea, are coated with a tarry mixture and it is believed that the heat of the sun caused this mixture to smoulder. Suddenly flames broke out among the pipes and a call was sent to the Fire Station. Three engines, in charge of Mr. Buckridge, were immediately dispatched to the scene, and with the aid of two hydrants the outbreak was quickly quelled. The pipes were not damaged.

LORD DAVIDSON'S FUNERAL.

SERVICE IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

London, May 29.
The first part of the funeral service for the late Archbishop, Lord Davidson, took place in Westminster Abbey this evening.

The large congregation included representatives of the King and the Prince of Wales.

The service was conducted by the Dean of Westminster, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York being present.

The coffin was subsequently taken by road to Canterbury Cathedral, where the interment in Cloister Garth will take place to-morrow.—British Wireless.

NARROW WIN FOR BOBBY JONES.

LAST EIGHT IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

FIDDIAN NOW TO MEET THE AMERICAN WIZARD.

TWEDDELL BEATEN.

St. Andrew's May 29.
England still has a strong representation among the players left in the Amateur Championship which is likely to be decided by the week-end. Jones and Voigt, two of the strongest American players are in the last eight, however, but Fiddian. Wethered and Grant are still in the competition and hopes largely centre in them.

The first four in the last eight were decided in the afternoon to-day when Voigt beat Hope two up, although he was one down at the turn.

Sutton, the much discussed player who was not in the Walker Cup team, defeated the former holder of the amateur title, Tweddell, by the comfortable margin of four and three.

Eric Fiddian continued his unbeatable form and ousted the International, Torrance, by four and three.

In the All-American match between Bobby Jones and Johnston, the open and amateur American champions respectively, Jones won one up.

Narrow Victory.

Both were in masterful form and therefore the slightest fault by either meant the loss of the hole. Jones led at the second and increased his lead to two up by the time the tenth was reached. Johnston was stymied at the thirteenth where Jones became four up.

Johnston fought back grimly, winning the fourteenth, fifteenth and seventeenth where Jones was one up. The last hole was halved, giving Jones the victory.

The youthful Eric Fiddian will to-morrow realise his cherished ambition when he will meet Bobby Jones.

Other Results.

Other results to-day were: Howell beat Robinson four and three. Wethered beat Simpson at the twenty-first hole.

Grant beat Scott three and one. Lister Hartley beat Hill four and three.

In the morning matches the results were as follows: Hope beat Waddell (Lundin) four and three.

Sutton beat Dawson (Troon) four and three. Tweddell beat De Forrest (Coombe Hill) seven and five.

Bobby Jones beat Watt (Broughty) seven and six. Jones had little relaxation in beating G. O. Watt. He was two up at the fourth, with birdie three at the sixth and seventh, and also won the ninth. He went out in thirty-four, turned five up, and was six up at the eleventh. He stymied Watt at the twelfth.

Howell, the Welsh champion, went out in thirty-six, and was three up. He beat Hazlett three and two, his card being two under four.

Whethered had a bad attack of hooking, and was one down at the thirteenth. He squared at the fourteenth, to beat Oppenheimer, the former Oxonian captain, one up.

The Hon. Michael Scott beat Von Elm at the twentieth. Lister Hartley (Chislehurst) beat Outlet four and three.

Gordon Simpson beat Nelson Smith two and one.—Reuter.

THE KING GETTING BETTER.

RHEUMATIC TROUBLE NOW CLEARING UP.

London, May 29.
It is stated at Buckingham Palace that the King's rheumatic trouble is clearing away satisfactorily.

The Queen, on her visit to-day to the Royal Military Tournament, was accompanied by the Duke of Gloucester, Prince George and little Princess Elizabeth.—British Wireless.





Photo shows some of those present at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Shanghai Y. M. C. A. premises now being erected on Boulevard de Montigny. Dr. H. H. Kung is second from the left, Mr. Tong Shao-yi, who performed the ceremony, in the centre, and Mr. Robert E. Lewis on the right. Mr. L. T. Chen, chief executive of the Shanghai "Y" is to the right of the stone.



The late Lord Davidson, former Archbishop of Canterbury, who is being buried to-day in Canterbury Cathedral. (Times copyright).



Some of those taking part in the 1930 Oberammergau Passion Play, the great religious spectacle staged by natives of the little Bavarian village of Oberammergau, Germany, are pictured here. At the left Eduard Bierling, the town's baker, who plays the part of Moses, delivering bread on his bicycle. In the centre, above, Anton Lang, speaker of the play's prologue, at work in his studio. At the right is Miss Hansi Preisinger, who takes the role of Mary Magdalene. In the circle is Alois Lang, who plays the part of Christ.



Mahatma Gandhi, right, Nationalist chieftain and Hindu philosopher with his chief lieutenant, Manilal Kothari, left, seen on the march before their arrest.

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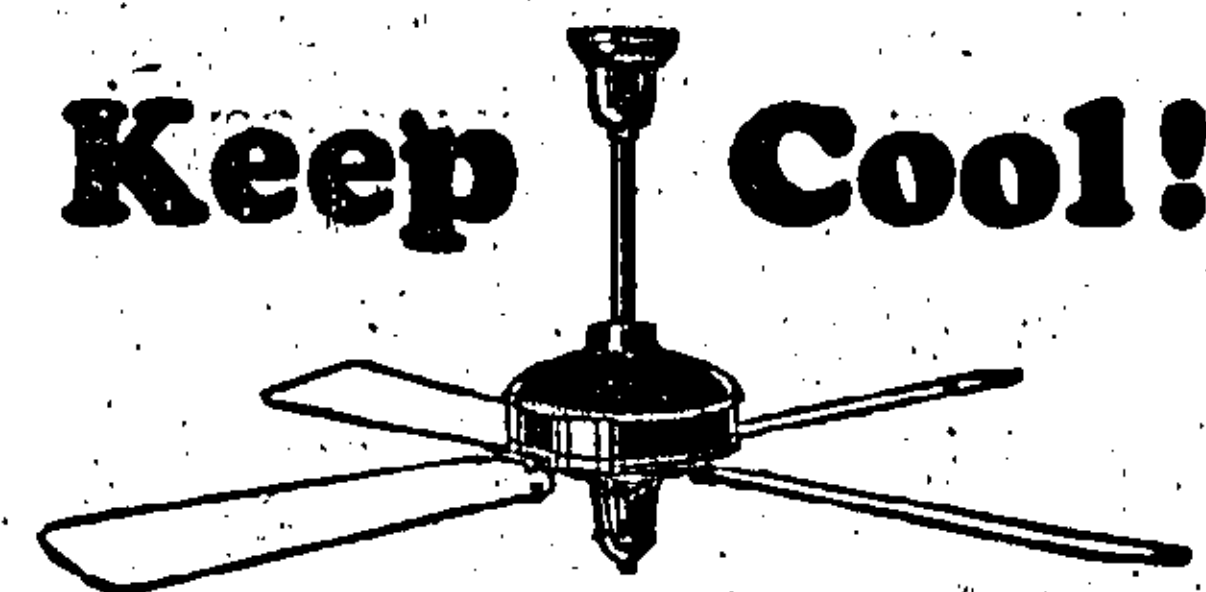


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goods are to be left in the Godowns
where they will be examined on any
Tuesdays and Fridays between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within
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No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the steamer's Godown,
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of Public Business on Tuesday,
the 3rd of June. (The Birthday of
His Majesty the King).
Hongkong, 29th May, 1930.

HONGKONG FLYING CLUB.

Opening Ceremony Next
Saturday afternoon.

The official opening of the
Flying Club's Hangar and Club
premises will be performed by H.
E. Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G.,
at four o'clock next Saturday
afternoon, May 31st, at Kai Tak
Aerodrome.

A special motor bus belonging
to the Kowloon Motor Bus Com-
pany will run every fifteen minutes
from the Star Ferry to the Club
premises between 3.15 p.m. and
4.30 p.m.

Tea will be provided in the Club
House and all interested in
aviation are requested to apply
to any of the following committee
members for invitations.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton,
Capt. K. B. Benfield, D.S.O.,
M.C., Wing Commander, A. H. S.
Steel-Perkins, O.B.E., R.A.F., Lieut.
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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that an
Extraordinary General Meeting of
the Voting Members of the Hong-
kong Jockey Club will be held at
the Club House, Happy Valley,
Victoria in the Colony of Hong-
kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th
day of June, 1930, immediately
after the Half Yearly Meeting of
Voting Members, for the purpose
of considering, and if thought fit,
passing the following resolution:—

"That the present unincor-
porated members Club known as
the Hongkong Jockey Club be
incorporated and registered in
Hongkong under the Hongkong
Companies Ordinances as a com-
pany limited by guarantee and
that the name of such company
shall be The Hongkong Jockey
Club and that the draft Memo-
randum and Articles of Associa-
tion contained in the printed
document submitted to the meet-
ing and for the purpose of iden-
tification subscribed by the
Chairman thereof be approved
and adopted as the Memorandum
and Articles of Association of
the Club as incorporated and
that the same be subscribed by
the existing Stewards of the
Hongkong Jockey Club and re-
gistered as such and that the
company be registered without
the addition of the word Limited
to its name as being an associa-
tion which intends to apply its
profits in promoting its objects
and which prohibits the pay-
ment of any dividends to its
members and that the existing
Stewards of the Hongkong
Jockey Club do forthwith after
the incorporation and registra-
tion of the said company transfer
and assign all the property
effects benefit and liabilities of
the present unincorporated
Hongkong Jockey Club to the
company so incorporated and re-
gistered."

And notice is hereby also given
that a further Extraordinary Gen-
eral Meeting of the Hongkong
Jockey Club will be held at the
same place on MONDAY, the 2nd
day of June, 1930, at 5.30 o'clock
in the afternoon for the purpose
of receiving a report of the pro-
ceedings of the above mentioned
meeting and of confirming, if
thought fit, the above mentioned
resolution.

Copies of the proposed Memo-
randum and Articles of Associa-
tion are open to the inspection of
members and can be seen during
the usual business hours at the
office of the Secretary, Mr. C. B.
Brown, Messrs. Linstead & Davis,
Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong,
and at the office of Messrs. Dra-
cons, 1, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong, the Club's Solicitors
and at the Club House, Happy
Valley, Hongkong.

Dated the 21st day of May, 1930.

By Order
of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary

G. B. B. R.

NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDI-
TIONS of the Sale by Public
Auction to be held on Monday,
the 2nd day of June, 1930, at
3 p.m., at the Offices of the
Public Works Department, by
Order of His Excellency the
Governor, of one Lot of Crown
Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a
term of 75 years, with the
option of renewal at a Crown
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of His Majesty the King, for one
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Land at Kennedy Road, in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a
term of 75 years, with the option
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pany's Offices, P. & O. Building on
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for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers
together with a Statement of Ac-
counts to the 31st December, 1929.
The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from 29th of
May to 4th of June, both days
inclusive.

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General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1930.

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NOTICE.

The Half Yearly General Meet-
ing of Voting Members will be
held at the Club House, Happy
Valley on Wednesday, 4th June,
1930, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1930.

NOTICE.

I have this day appointed Mr.
A. R. Pinguet as my Attorney with
power to sign documents for
myself and my Firm.

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P. M. Pinguet & Co.
French Bank Building,
Hongkong, 29th May, 1930.

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will be held at the Offices of the
General Managers, Messrs.
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Pedder Street, Hongkong, on
Wednesday, the 18th June, 1930,
at Noon for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report of the Directors,
passing the Accounts, and electing
Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the 11th
June to 2nd July, 1930, both days
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By Order of the Board.

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THE LAWN BOWLS
LEAGUES.SATURDAY'S INTERRUPTED
MATCHES PLAYED.

Three matches outstanding in the
lawn bowls leagues, due to the inter-
ruption of Saturday's play by rain,
were decided yesterday evening. In
some of the teams the original players
were unable to turn out, and sub-
stitutes were included in their stead.

Taking full advantage of their lead
of eleven shots established on Satur-
day, the Craigengower C.C. made no
mistake with their game against the
Police on the greens of the holders
of the shield. The scoring yesterday
was fairly even, the home players
winning by 18 shots.

But for a commanding lead on
Saturday when they were up 50 shots
to 23, the Tai Koo C.C. might easily
have been beaten by the Kowloon
Cricket Club, who yesterday had much
the better of the scoring. The Penin-
sula players reduced their deficit to
nine shots when the last head had
been played.

In the second Division the Civil
Service C.C. gained a victory by 16
shots over the Craigengower C.C.
The winners had 53 shots to the good
when rain interrupted the play on
Saturday.

DIVISION I.

Craigengower Account for
the Police.

Playing on their own greens the
Craigengower beat the Police by 60
shots to 42. Scores:

Craigengower	Police
F. J. Neves	Brittain
M. A. R. Sousa	C. Alexander
D. Rumlahn	R. Marks
B. W. Bradbury	J. C. West
17	
E. Tuck	W. McHardy
A. E. Coates	Johnson
E. el Arculli	J. C. S. Fender
U. M. Omar	19 Hargreaves
12	
W. T. Brightman	W. Dall
W. Collins	J. S. Dick
C. S. Rossette	F. Nolan
R. Basa	20 E. G. Post
13	
60	42

Tai Koo v Kowloon C.C.

The match between Tai Koo and
Kowloon C.C. which was interrupted
yesterday at Tai Koo, the home team
winning 63 to 54.

Tai Koo

Kowloon C.C.

G. McLeod

A. C. Burford

J. Sloan

J. Howe

J. Laing

H. Overy

R. Wallace

26 A. E. Silkstone

10

J. B. Chapman

H. Gittins

J. McKechnie

C. J. Tacchi

T. Grimes

A. Hyde Lay

N. Drummond

14 J. Fraser

28

J. C. Chalmers

F. Goodwin

J. C. Polson

T. Carr

J. Munro

J. C. Lyl

W. Wether-

poon

23 L. E. Lammert

18

63

54

DIVISION II.

Civil Service C.C. Beat
Craigengower C.C.

There was a difference of 16 shots
between the Civil Service and the
Craigengower C.C., the former win-
ning on their own ground. Scores:

Civil Service

Craigengower

F. H. Holdman

W. Ward

R. R. Wood

J. M. V. Ribeiro

J. Deakin

P. A. Dixon

F. Hayes

32 W. V. Field

17

H. E. Strange

W. McBride

L. E. Luck

A. L. Sousa

J. R. Archibald

Y. Abbas

W. E. Hollands

21 J. Cavanagh

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BRITISH LEGION.

FALL IN DOLLAR AFFECTS HAIG'S FUND.

Presiding at the annual meeting of the British Legion (Hongkong and South China Branch) at the ninth annual general meeting in Messrs. Jardine Matheson's board room, yesterday afternoon, Mr. F. W. James announced that although Poppy Day receipts for 1929 were more by \$486.27 than in the previous year, the fall in exchange resulted in a smaller remittance to England to the extent of \$255 2s. 9d.

The Chairman said: Arising out of the annual report which has been in your hands for several days I desire, briefly, to refer to the following.

Poppy Day Appeal:—Gross receipts in dollars for 1929 were more by \$486.27 than in 1928, but fall in exchange unfortunately resulted in less sterling remitted to Earl Haig's Fund. Details are:

Gross Receipts.	Remittances.
1928 \$15,573.09	£1,747 4s. 6d.
1929 \$17,459.36	£1,492 1s. 8d.
	£ 255 2s. 9d.

The Outposts took a keen interest in the appeal, and Hoihow, Wuchow and Swatow remitted their collections to our fund. There is a printer's error in the accounts, "Hankow" should read "Hoihow." Canton were very successful and remitted their contributions direct to the main fund.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Hepburn, who carried out the duties of Hon. Secretary of the Legion and also of the Poppy Day appeal up to the time of his departure from the Colony and Mr. H. R. Forsyth, who undertook the work of treasurer in connexion with Poppy Day. I wish specially to refer to the very arduous labour of Mr. Remington, who took over the duties of Hon. Secretary for Poppy Day from Mr. Hepburn and was very largely responsible for the success of our report on that day. We also very much appreciate the assistance of the Press as a whole in this Colony, for their readiness to assist us whenever possible. In this connexion to-day's leader in the Daily Press is particularly opportune.

To Help the Needy.

I have heard it said that the British Legion is a "self-glorifying" organization but nothing could be further from the truth. It exists solely for the benefit of ex-service men and women and to help the service in general. In short, it is an organization to help those who through stress of circumstances, need assistance.

The Hongkong branch had 110 members resident in the Colony during the year under review. I regret to say that a large number have not yet paid their subscriptions and I would ask that this little matter should receive their attention as soon as possible.

With regard to the Legion Book, a special appeal recently appeared in the press by the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, Officer Administering the Government asking people to take copies of this book. I would be very pleased if any members who require other copies, or who have not already obtained one would get in touch with the secretary. They cost one guinea, plus postage, a shilling extra.

The report and statement of accounts were approved.

Officials Elected.

Mr. F. W. James was re-elected President and Mr. H. Spicer was elected Hon. Secretary and treasurer.

The following were elected to the Committee: Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird, Lieut. Col. T. A. Robertson, Lieut. Col. G. K. Hall Brutton, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Mrs. V. M. Bond, Mr. W. Brackenridge, Mr. J. N. Owen, Mr. A. R. H. Phillips and Mr. F. C. Hall.

Mr. A. Ritchie was re-elected hon. auditor.

The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to the Chairman and to Messrs. Jardine Matheson for the loan of the board room.

LOCAL RADIO.

NOVEL STUDIO CONCERT FOR TO-DAY.

The studio concert to be broadcast to-night by Z.B.W. will provide local listeners-in with an opportunity to hear two new comers to the Colony, and also a recently-formed string orchestra, under the conductorship of Mr. Frederick Mason. The soloists are Mrs. Snowden Jones, soprano, who has been successfully broadcast at Shanghai, and Madam Alice Hamilton, contralto.

New members for the string orchestra are wanted, practices being held on Tuesday evenings at the Cathedral Hall, at nine o'clock.

To-day's programme, on 355 metres, is as follows:

6.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese programme.

7.00-9.00 p.m. Programme of Columbia records by courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Company.

7.00 p.m. "Pagliacci-Selection," (Leoncavallo).

New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra Conducted by Percy Pitt.

7.08 p.m. "Drinks," (Gershwin, Carter and Gershwin).

"Funny Face-Tell the Dog," (Gershwin, Carter and Gershwin).

7.16 p.m. "Broadway-Selection," (Gottler, Mitchell and Conrad).

Regal Cinema Orchestra Conducted by J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

7.46 p.m. "Scene de Ballet," (de Beriot, arr. W. Sear).

"Second Movement from Symphonie Pathetique," (Chopin).

8.54 p.m. "Sunnyside Up, Selection," (de Sylva, Brown and Henderson).

Jack Payne and His B. B. C. Dance Orchestra.

8.00 p.m. "Ain't Misbehavin'," (Wallis, Brooks and Razaf).

"Tondelero," (Hill and Gay).

Layton and Johnstone. American Duetists. With Piano.

8.06 p.m. "Little Pal," (de Sylva, Brown, Henderson and Johnson).

"I'm in Seventh Heaven," (de Sylva, Brown, Henderson and Johnson).

Organ Solo by Terence Casey.

8.12 p.m. "Come on Baby," (Gottler, Clare and Pinkard).

"S'Posin'," (Razaf and Dennikar).

8.18 p.m. "Military March," (Specially arranged) (Tempo 120).

"Naval March," (Specially arranged) (Tempo 120).

Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

8.24 p.m. "The Grey Church on the Hill," (Longstaffe).

"Jus' Keepin' On," (Carter and Phillips).

Raymond Newell and Chorus with Orchestra.

8.30 p.m. "(a) Waltz in A Flat (Brahms); (b) Spring Song," (Mendelssohn).

"Liebestraum No. 4," (Liszt).

8.38 p.m. "Another Kiss," (Schertzing).

"You Went Away Once Too Often," (Horatio Nicholls).

8.44 p.m. "The Meistersingers-Selection," (Wagner).

8.52 p.m. "Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2," (Liszt-Wood).

Sir Henry J. Wood Conducting the New Queen's Hall Orchestra.

9.00 p.m. Studio Concert Programme.

9.00 p.m. 1. Andante Cantabile: (Op. 11) Tchaikowsky. The Orchestra.

9.10 p.m. 2. Soprano Solos: (a) What is Sylvia Schubert. (b) Waltz Song from "Tom Jones" German. Mrs. Snowden Jones.

9.20 p.m. 3. Quartet for Two Violins, Cello and Piano. (a) Prelude. (b) Gigue. George Saint George. Members of the Orchestra.

9.28 p.m. 4. Contralto Solos: (a) Homing Del Riego. (b) Dream O' Day Jill (Tom Jones). Madame Alice Hamilton.

9.38 p.m. 5. Chanson de Matin, Elgar. The Orchestra.

Interval. (News Bulletin).

9.48 p.m. 6. Soprano Solos:

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1500 b.
Chartered Bank, \$174 n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$29 n.
East Asia, \$1194 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$950 n.
Union Ins., \$500 b.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
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China Fire, \$400 b.
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Raub, \$23 b.
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Whampoa Docks, \$404 n.
China Providents \$595 b.
Hongkows, Tls. 265 b.
New Engineerings, Tls. 8 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 133 n.

Cottons.

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Shai Cottons, Tls. 86 (old) n.

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H. K. Lands, \$87 b.
Shai Lands Tls. 285 b.
Humphreys, \$1680 b.
Realities, \$10.80 s.
Chinese Estates \$98 s.

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Peak Trams (old) \$124 b.
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China Lights, (Old) \$29.10 b.
H. K. Electric, \$834 b.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones \$1385 b.
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Cald: Macg. Ord: Tls. 10.70 n.
Canton Ices, \$2.50 n.
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Ropes \$3.90 b.
United Asbestos \$5 b.

Stores, etc.

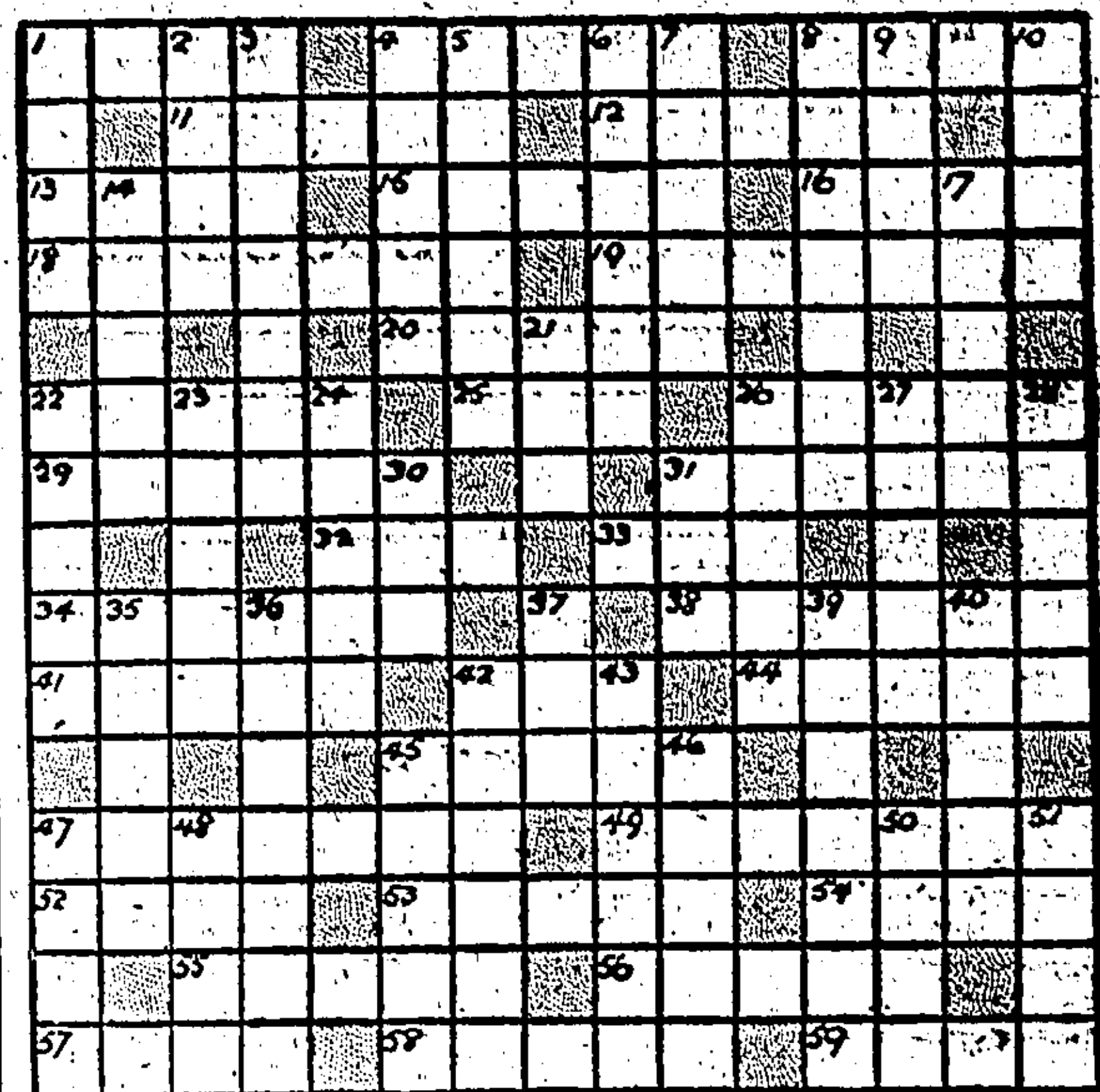
Dairy Farms, \$27. s.
Watsons, \$12.75 b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 b.
Lane Crawfords, \$3.70 s.
Mackintosh, \$18 b.
Sinceros, \$12.50 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$294 b.
Constructions, \$1.9 b.
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 69% b.
H.K.G. Loan 94% Prem. Ex. Int.

(a) Down in the Forest. London: Ronald.
(b) Blackbirds' Song. Cyril Scott.
(c) Fairy Pipers, Herbert Brewer.
Mrs. Snowden Jones.
10.00 p.m. 7. A Forest Melody: Montague Phillips. The Orchestra.
10.07 p.m. 8. Contralto Solos: (a) Sincerity, Emilie Clark. (b) Bird Songs at Eventide, Eric Coates. (c) O Peaceful England, German. Madame Alice Hamilton.
10.18 p.m. 9: (a) Bourne. (b) Gigue Edward German. The Orchestra.
Orchestral Conductor: Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L.
10.30 p.m. (Approx.) Close down.

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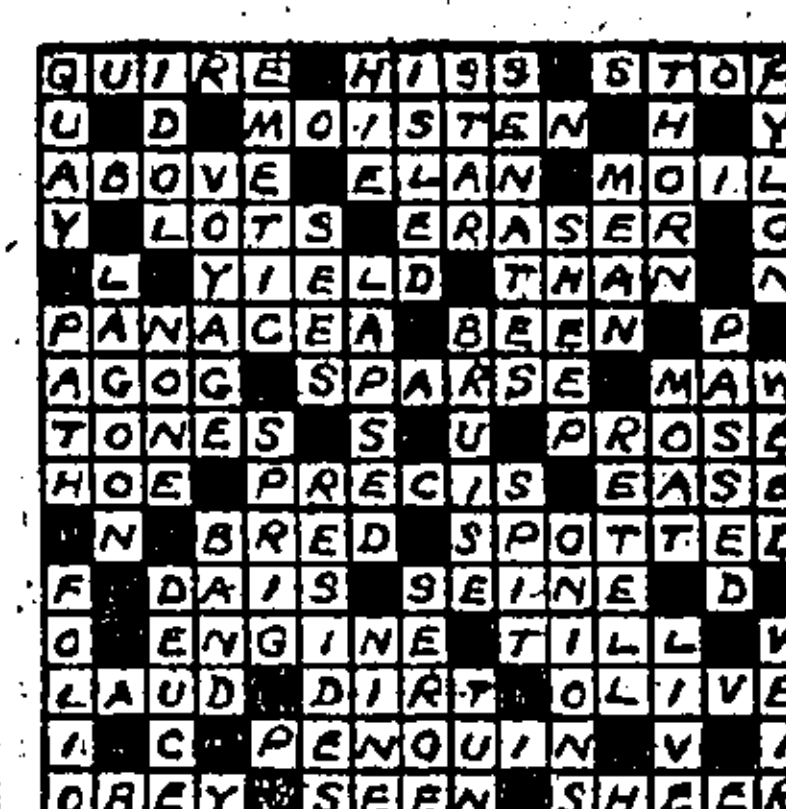


Across
1 A person.
4 Rings.
8 Scheme.
11 Large stream.
12 Relieved.
13 Plant.
15 Wooden frame.
16 Food.
18 South American monkeys.
19 Steady.
20 Scorchers.
22 Fegat.
25 Sorrowful.
26 Rioter.
29 Stage whispers.
31 Erasure.
32 Age.
33 Pet.
34 Happenings.
38 Relater.
41 Portions.
42 Slim.
44 Edges.
45 Satisfied.
47 Deceased.
49 Consumptive.
52 Image.
53 Governor.
54 Stagger.
55 One who rates.
56 Kind of chair.
57 Tidal wave.
58 Borders.
59 Guide.

Down
1 The two.
2 Hauled.
3 Gave way.
4 Looks.
6 Effaces.
6 Stared.
7 Auctions.
8 Declines.

9 Frithold (Scotland).
10 Always.
14 Wanders.
17 One who competes.
21 Hurried.
22 Wandered in mind.
23 Grape plants.
24 Lists of candidates.
26 Taxes.
27 Erect.
28 Opies.
30 Distress signal.
31 Rodent.
35 Took oath.
36 Pertaining to nebulae.
37 Furrow.
39 Generous.
40 Weird.
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48 Front.
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BIRTH.

HO-TUNG.—On Sunday, May 25,
1930, at 741 Rue Ratard,
Shanghai to Mr. and Mrs. E.
S. K. Ho-fung, a son.

DEATH.

MAY.—On May 27th, in England,
following operation, ESMEE,
beloved wife of George Thomas
May, A.P.Co., Hongkong.
Deeply regretted.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 1930.

THE DOLLAR.

With the continued decline in
the sterling value of the dollar,
it is evident that public concern
for the future is increasing. Al-
most every day witnesses a new
low level, and it is obvious that,
with such conditions prevailing,
business is becoming, even if
at all possible, more and
more a sheer gamble. But apart
from the effects on the trade of
the Colony, this continued defla-
tion is proving disastrous to the
community as a whole, who not
only sees the worth of its savings
or investments steadily shrinking
but is, quite naturally, being called
upon to pay more for the
necessities of life. There is yet
another respect in which people
are being hard hit—namely, in
sending remittances home, in
which connexion it must be borne
in mind that there are very few
British people in the Colony who
have not regular sterling com-
mitments to meet. In these cir-
cumstances, it is not surprising
that the past few days has wit-
nessed the appearance of many
letters from correspondents urging
that some definite action be taken
before the situation gets even
worse. We are aware that the
Currency Committee has yet to
make its report, but, without in
any way doubting the sincerity
or open-mindedness of the mem-
bers of that Committee, it is being
widely felt that there is still time
for expert guidance from Home
on the subject. If an expert were
brought out, he would naturally
have access to the Report of the
local Committee, as well as to the
evidence on which it is based.

All along in this currency dis-
pute, we have taken the line that
stabilisation, at a figure which
would be best suited to the needs
of the Colony, would be the best
solution. Nothing that we have
encountered in arguments of the
other side has caused us to change
that view. As a correspondent
puts it to-day, there is nothing
mysterious about the process of
changing the basis of a currency,

and we do not believe that the
conditions in Hongkong are so
peculiar that we need fear any
adverse effect from following the
general trend of currency basis
from silver to gold. Very much
has been made of the suggestion
that we must proceed in uniform-
ity with China in this matter. We
are still unconvinced that because
China's currency is on a rotten
and discredited basis, Hongkong's
should also remain so. A corres-
pondent in a contemporary has
just cited the case of British Hon-
duras, a small British Colony in
South America surrounded by
silver-using Republics. Prior to
1894, the coins in circulation there
were the silver dollars of South
America, the standard of value be-
ing the Guatemalan dollar. In the
year named, however, a change-
over to gold was made, and, de-
spite the argument that to go on to
a different basis from the sur-
rounding countries would prove
disastrous, trade and commerce
have since steadily improved. The
cases of British Honduras and
Hongkong would appear to be
analogous; if they are, then what
British Honduras has done, Hong-
kong can do.

Opinion in exchange circles is
that, unless some measure of
stabilisation is decided on, the
Hongkong dollar must continue to
decline. There is even talk of a
shilling dollar. What that will
mean to the Colony we hardly care
to contemplate. Obviously it
would mean a tremendous change
in local conditions, both in regard
to business adjustments and the
cost of Government. It would be
nothing short of a crisis. With
the situation becoming so serious,
we are in full sympathy with the
correspondents who suggest
the convening of a public meeting,
with a view to representations be-
ing made to the Home Government
on the matter. To continue as at
present strikes us as being worse
than foolish, whilst mere waiting
for something to happen, in the
fond hope that things will come
out all right in the end, would
seem to be fatalism of the very
worst type.

Motor Cycle Lights.

A Traffic Officer is the authority
for the statement that in the near
future motor cycles in the Colony
will be required to carry both front
and rear lights. It is understood
that this provision is now required
in view of the fact that although
a traffic regulation states that
either the front or rear licence
number plate shall be rendered
readily distinguishable by means
of a light, this is not always the
case. It would appear that the
authorities now intend to enforce
the other regulations which state
"Every vehicle shall, between
sunset and sunrise, carry a lamp
showing a red light when seen
from the rear of the vehicle," and
"A motor vehicle shall, between
sunset and sunrise carry at the
rear a lamp properly trimmed and
lighted so as to illuminate and
render readily distinguishable the
licence number plate at the rear."
Despite the fact that a separate
regulation specifically mentions
lights on motor cycles, this class
of vehicle undoubtedly comes
within the meaning of "vehicle"
and "motor vehicle." The full
lighting regulations, therefore,
have never been enforced and
there can be no quarrel with the
reported intention of the authori-
ties to improve the lighting of
motor cycles for the benefit of the
riders and for the safety of other
users of the road. There are
many arguments in favour, and
none against, the carrying of rear
lights on the two-wheeled vehicles
and it is rather surprising such
laxity has been allowed in this
connexion over a period of years.
No new regulations are necessary,
for definite provision is already
established. Motor cyclists have
no doubt been lulled into a sense
of false security owing to the
absence of action on the part of
the Police and while obviously
there is no onus on the authori-
ties to repeat a regulation which
already exists and which should
be known, it would be considerate
to say the least if some form of
notice was given if the regulations
concerned are now to be enforced.

DAY BY DAY.

CONTEMPT FOR WOMEN IS THE
FIRST LAW OF SAVAGERY.—H. de
Vere Stacpool.

There were no notifiable diseases
reported in the Colony yesterday.

It is notified that no examination
for Certificates of Competency for
Masters and Mates will be held dur-
ing the week ending June 7, 1930.

The Netherland-Indian Govern-
ment has rescinded quarantine
measures against Amoy, which was
declared a plague-infected port
on the 17th inst.

A report reached the Police this
morning of the loss of an Axminster
carpet belonging to Mr. D. Kin-
loch of 376, the Peak. It was
stolen whilst in transit to Messrs
Whiteaway Laidlaw to be cleaned.

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Interesting Pictures for
To-morrow.

There will again be many
interesting pictures in to-
morrow's issue of the *Tele-
graph* Art Supplement.

Amongst the events illus-
trated will be the stonelaying
ceremony of the new Union
Church in Kowloon, local
lawn bowls and tennis League
matches, and groups of sports-
men of the Somerset. Light
Infantry, as well as snapshots
taken at the Wah Yan College
sports.

The Girl Guides' inspection
at Headquarters House on
Empire Day will also be illus-
trated, whilst photographs will
be given of the French aer-
plane which came to grief in
Chinese territory near Macao
recently.

Several other interesting
pictures will also appear.

A Chinese, charged at the Cen-
tral Police Court this morning
with cruelty to chickens by carry-
ing them by the wings, plead-
ed ignorance. The Magistrate
(Mr. Grantham):—It will cost you
two dollars.

The forty-ninth ordinary general
meeting of the Indo China Steam
Navigation Co., Ltd., is advertised
to take place at the offices of the
General Managers, Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednes-
day, June 18, at noon.

A quantity of communist litera-
ture was found by a Shantung con-
stable on the Peak Road this morn-
ing. A Shantung Sergeant also
discovered a quantity of seditious
pamphlets in Laichikok, Kowloon,
whilst on duty to-day.

Charged with using grappling
for the purpose of dredging the
harbour bed near the Naval An-
chorage, the mistress of a passen-
ger boat pleaded guilty before the
Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, N.R., at
the Marine Court this morning and
was fined \$5 or five days.

Mr. Middleton, of the Far East-
ern Acetylene Co. of Hongkong, pro-
secuted an apprentice of the firm
before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kow-
loon Magistracy this morning
on a charge of receiving 100 yards
of rubber wire, valued at \$20. It
was stated that the company had
purchased 400 yards three days
ago and the defendant was arrest-
ed in possession of part of that
length. A sentence of one
month's hard labour was imposed.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from
the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the
week ended May 29th, 1909.

The rate of the dollar on demand
was 1. 9/4d.

The death took place at the
Victoria Hospital of Mrs. Pearce,
wife of the Rev. T. W. Pearce.

It was announced that Messrs.
John Swire and Sons, Ltd., had
promised £20,000 to the Endow-
ment Fund of the Hongkong Uni-
versity, whilst the Taihook Sugar
Refining Co., Ltd., and the Ocean
Steamship Co., Ltd., had each
promised £5,000, making £40,000
in all.

In an interport cricket match at
Shanghai, the Hongkong Garrison
lost to Shanghai by 38 runs.

A paper was laid on the Legisla-
tive Council table in which the
Superintendent of the Botanical
and Forestry Department objected
to the proposed new Peak Tram-
way passing through part of the
Botanic Gardens.

MAN ASSAULTS HIS AUNT.

STORY OF A SEARCH FOR A KIDNAPPED CHILD.

A rather peculiar excuse was
given by a Chinese who appeared be-
fore Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kow-
loon Magistracy this morning on a
charge of "assaulting" a woman,
whom the man claimed to be his
aunt.

The defendant admitted the
charge and intimated that he had
received a report from his sister in
the country that her child had been
kidnapped. He commenced to make
enquiries locally and on visiting his
aunt he saw her with a child. He
spoke to her about the matter, but
the woman refused to listen and
walked away. The defendant went
after her and during a struggle
struck her.

In reply to his Worship the de-
fendant said that he did not know
whether the child his aunt was carry-
ing was his sister's child or not.

His Worship imposed a fine of
\$10 and ordered the defendant to
sign a bond for \$200 for his good
behaviour for the next twelve
months.

SERIOUS ASSAULT ALLEGED.

CHINESE REMANDED FOR A WEEK.

Appearing on remand before Mr.
Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Ma-
gistracy this morning, a Chinese
who was originally charged with
causing grievous bodily harm to
a woman of Tai Nam Street had
an additional indictment brought
against him. He was accused of
inflicting the injuries with intent
to cripple, disable or maim the com-
plainant.

Detective Sergeant Meadows, who
appeared for the prosecution, re-
marked that the case was one of
a rather serious assault and that
the Police were asking for com-
mittal.

His Worship remanded the de-
fendant formally for one week and
fixed the hearing for the afternoons
of Tuesday, June 17, and Thursday,
June 19.

OPIUM AND MAUSER MAGAZINES.

FISHERMAN GUILTY OF POSSESSION.

When Inspector Dorling and a
party raided a fisherman's shed at
Tai Wan, on May 23 they found
716 tals of opium and 151 Mauser
pistol magazines wrapped in old
rags and sacking under a bed.

The owner of the shed, Lai Kam-
fat aged 78 years, was charged with
the possession of the goods and
at the district officer's Court this
morning Mr. MacLaren imposed
fines of \$80,000 and \$1,000, or six
months' imprisonment, on each
charge, to be served concurrently.

When arrested, defendant denied
ownership of the opium and mag-
azines, declaring that someone had
put them there some months ago.
He repeated this story in evidence.
He was represented by Mr. F. X.
d'Almada, senior.

OPIUM TIED ROUND MAN'S LEGS.

HEAVY FINES IMPOSED AT THE MAGISTRACY.

A fine of \$10,000 was indicted
by Mr. Lindell this morning on a
Chinese smuggler of opium who
was arrested at Causeway Bay
with 98 tals of the drug in the
prepared state strapped around
his legs. The alternative sentence
was six months' hard labour.

Another man, who had 80 tals
concealed in a similar way, was
fined \$9,000, or six months.

Yet a third Chinese who came
before the same Magistrate Magis-
trate on a similar charge, was
fined \$500, or two months. He
was arrested yesterday when
coming ashore from the s.s. Tai-
shan, the quantity seized on him
being 18 tals.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, May 29.
Paris	125.98
Brussels	124.81
Amsterdam	12.077
Berlin	20.385
Copenhagen	18.10
Vienna	24.455
Helsingfors	193
Lisbon	108.25
Bucharest	818
Buenos Aires	42.18/10
Shanghai	1/8 1/2
Yokohama	2/0 13/22
New York	45.91/22
Geneva	25.115
Milan	92.76
Stockholm	15.11
Oslo	18.10
Prague	163 1/2
Madrid	29.805
Athens	375
Rio	5.55/84
Bombay	1/5 25/32
Hongkong	1/4 1/4
Silver (spot)	17 1/16
Silver (forward)	17 1/16

—British Wireless.

The Very Idea!

All the officials, including the
business and box-office managers
and the board of directors, of the
new Grafton Theatre in Tottenham
Court-road, which has just opened,
are women. Miss Judith Wogan,
an actress, who founded the Arts
League of Service Travelling
Theatre, is the managing director.
Recently she secured the old Grafton
Cinema, one of the earliest to
be built in London, and has had
it entirely reconstructed. It has
now been turned into an attractive
billion theatre, with all the latest
conveniences, even to a miniature
revolving stage. It seats about
180 people. A small cafe attached
to the theatre will be open each
evening at 6.30, so that the audi-
ence can have a light meal before
the show begins. A permanent
company of players is being got
together, and the policy of the
theatre is to present an entertain-
ment combining plays with variety.
The programme will start with a
play so produced as to avoid the
usual intervals, and the second half
of the performance will consist of
variety items.

Vilma Banky, the famous screen
star, vowing that her sole interest
now is to "be a good housewife,"
has announced her permanent re-
tirement from the films. She was
married to Rod la Rocque, the film
actor, in 1927. Miss Banky, whose
real name is Condit, was born in
Budapest 27 years ago and made
her stage debut in Vienna at an
early age. Samuel Goldwyn, chief
of United Artists, was attracted by
her photograph in a shop window
while visiting Vienna and engaged
her to appear in screen productions
in the United States.

A woman who had given her hus-
band a worrying time during his
life was very concerned at his
death, and had a tombstone erected
on which were the words: "At
Rest. Until we meet again."

Old Lady (to newly-arrived lady
artist in village street)—"My son
dabbles in oils a bit, miss."
Lady Artist—"Really? An artist?"
Old Lady—"Oh, no, miss; in a
garriidge."

Patrick, having committed a more
or less grievous offence, found him-
self in the dock.

Counsel on his behalf addressed
the Bench thus:—"Do not forget
the character of the accused; he is
a man of big heart, of philan-
thropic motives; a man who has never
failed to do his duty; a man who
has been a faithful husband and a
dutiful father; a man—"

"Excuse me, sir, is it me you're
talking about?"
Told by Treasurer Harvey at the
annual dinner of the Scottish
Amicable Building Society in Edin-
burgh.

WHO WAS— SYDNEY CARTON?

The troubled time of the
French Revolution brought to
the surface much latent
heroism in the souls of men,
and never has this been more
strikingly portrayed than in
the character of Sydney Car-
ton, in Dickens' novel "A Tale
of Two Cities."

All his life, Sydney Carton
had been a wastrel. His
great natural abilities might
have raised him to the top of
the legal profession, had he
not been cursed with a will so
weak that he constantly
succumbed to the temptations
of drink and idleness, and been
obliged to eke out a wretched
livelihood as the "jackal" of
Styver, his professional enemy.

Not even when sweet Lucie
Manette walked into his wife,
and stirred him to dreams of
what he might have been,
could he break free from his
habits of sloth and dissipa-
tion. Knowing that his love
could bring her no happiness,
but only sorrow, he kept out
of her way as much as possi-
ble, cherishing all the while
a desire to serve whenever
the need should arise, to the
extent of his poor powers.

The opportunity came; a
supreme opportunity. Lucie's
husband, Charles Darnay, was
arrested in Paris, and condem-
ned to death as an aristocrat.
Profiting by his own remark-
able resemblance to Darnay,
Carton took his place in pri-
son, and never faltered in his
sacrifice, even when he stood
on the steps of the guillotine.
"It is a far, far better thing
that I shall do than I have
ever done before," were his
last thoughts, and there was
great contentment in his eyes
as he took his last look at the
world.

In life a wastrel, in the man-
ner of his dying a very gallant
gentleman, such was Sydney
Carton.

TROOPSHIPS LEAVE CANTON.**MEN BEING DESPATCHED TO THE NORTH.****GREAT ACTIVITY.**

Canton, May 28.

Considerable movements of troops have been taking place in Canton during the past week. The city has been practically flooded by the soldiers of the 6th and 8th Route Armies returning from the Kwangsi campaign.

During the last day or two, however, a large proportion of these troops has embarked on ships and left for the North where they will proceed via Nanking to reinforce the Nationalist troops in their campaign against the Kuomintang-Shansi allies.

Six troop ships have left the port since Tuesday carrying the men of the 105th, 106th, 297th, 298th, 299th and 300th Battalions of the 50th Division. These troops were mostly the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company's vessels specially chartered, being the Kwaiwei, Tong Shan, Kwonglee, Wah Yueung, Yue Hing and the Yuen On.

It is reported that the Nationalist authorities have not been able to secure sufficient ships to transport all the men, and though those ships named left the port absolutely packed like sardines, they will have to make another trip South to take up the remainder of the troops, unless other vessels can be chartered in the meantime.

General Tan Tso-yuen, Commander of the 60th Division, with his staff, accompanied his men North on one of the transports.

Amongst the troops remaining in Canton awaiting transportation for the North, are the 8th Division under General Mao Ping-wen, and the 3rd Independent Brigade under Colonel Hsu Hock-cheung.

General Chu Shao-liung, Commander-in-Chief of the 6th Route Army, who came south from Nanking last December in command of the troops directing the Kwangsi campaign, will be returning to Nanking via Hongkong and Shanghai, within a few days.

Meanwhile General Chan Chai-tong, Commander-in-Chief of the 8th Route Army, Cantonese forces, will remain in Canton for the present. He is despatching a large number of troops of the 62nd and 63rd Divisions and the 1st Independent Brigade to the East and North River Districts to suppress the large number of bandits which have sprung into prominence during the past few months in these districts whilst the troops were engaged in Kwangsi.

There has been considerable aerial activity around here lately, and a number of flights almost daily are being made both ways between Wuchow and Canton. Several aeroplanes are remaining stationed in Wuchow for the purpose of carrying out observation flights in Kwangsi and watching the Kwangsi-Kwangtung-Hunan frontiers. Captain Wu Kam-ngar, Commander of the 5th Air Squadron, is remaining in command of these planes stationed at Wuchow.—Our Own Correspondent.

NINETEEN WOMEN AS PLAINTIFFS.**SERIES OF ACTIONS IN THE SUMMARY COURT.**

Nineteen actions against the owner of some property in Kowloon, all the plaintiffs being women, were mentioned in the Summary Court this morning before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood). All the plaintiffs were present with the exception of two and Mr. R. A. Wadeson appeared for defendant, Tse Yan-pak, in each case. The claims totalled \$618.

In reply to his Lordship, Mr. Wadeson, indicating his defence, stated that plaintiffs were suing the owner of property in Kowloon. Plaintiffs contracted with a firm of contractors to build on the land, but when the work was about half finished, the contractor, having been paid, ran away without paying his sub-contractors (plaintiffs). They were now suing the owner. Mr. Wadeson added he had another defence, that they had already obtained judgment against the contractors as far as the first claim was concerned.

His Lordship asked one of the plaintiffs why they were suing the owner, and she replied he had told them not to worry as he would pay them if the contractor did not do so.

His Lordship fixed the case for hearing next Thursday afternoon and told plaintiffs to inform the absentees to attend also.

NANNING DEFENCE ABANDONED.**KWANGSI FORCES DECIDE TO RETREAT.****HEADQUARTERS MOVE.**

Nanning, May 17.

The general headquarters of the Kwangsi Army have been moved from Nanning to Liuchow and General Wang Shao-hung left here to-day for the latter place. The movement has been necessitated by the serious reverses suffered by the Kwangsi Army near Kweichow. It is understood that there will be no attempt to defend Nanning against the Cantonese. If the Kwangsi forces are defeated at Kweichow they will then retreat to Pingxiang where a further stand will be made.

Yesterday a Cantonese aeroplane flew over the city but no bombs were dropped. The foreign Consuls have wired to all foreigners in Nanning and vicinity to leave the district for a period of a month, but travelling is exceedingly dangerous owing to the disturbed conditions and the consensus of opinion seems to be that it is safer to remain here, especially as there is to be no defence of the city.

The blockade on the river has now been enforced for six months and as a result commodity prices have risen. If the Cantonese succeed in defeating the Kwangsi troops at Kweichow, then traffic between Nanning and Hongkong will again be resumed.

The "Reds" are very active in the Posh district and now occupy several cities along the waterway, thus effectively cutting off communication between Nanning and Posh. Thousands of people from the district have come into Nanning. This particular "Red" Army consists largely of farmers who fail to put up any effective resistance when attacked by troops. The regular "Red" army has retreated to Kuchow where it continues to bring terror to villagers.—Our Own Correspondent.

BILLIARDS.**CRAIGENGOWER VICTORY OVER FILIPINO CLUB.**

A friendly billiard match was played at the Craigengower Cricket Club on Wednesday night between the C.C.C. and the Filipino Club, resulting in the hosts defeating their guests by 174 points. About 40 members of both clubs sat down for dinner, and pleasant speeches were made dwelling on the friendly rivalry which exists between the respective clubs. Scores:

Craigengower C.C.	
J. M. V. Ribeiro	150
E. Zimmern	110
A. Kitchner	150
J. Saunders	150
J. Lamb	150
H. Kew	150
869	

Filipino Club.	
R. Luz	149
F. Silva	150
E. Nutall	143
E. Remedios	141
A. Castro	102
L. E. Remedios	110
695	

STARVING LAD.**FREE HAWKER'S LICENCE AND \$2 GIFT.**

A free licence, accompanied by a gift of \$2 donated from the Poor Box, was to-day given by the Magistrate (Mr. Grantham) to a boy, who, charged with hawking without a licence, pleaded destitution.

The 55-year-old mother of the defendant, when asked what she did for a living, stated that she was an earth-carrier, but now had no employment.

She further said that her son had been without a meal for days, before being pressed by hunger to hire himself out to a hawker.

WATER LEVELS.**ON WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.**

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River, on the dates named:

	May 28.	May 29.
Shiuhing	21.7	20.4
Tsingyuen	13.9	11.4
Samshui	16.9	—
Sheklung	6.4	6.1

It is advertised that the exchange banks will be closed to the transaction of public business on Tuesday, June 3, being the birthday of H.M. the King.

THE DECLINE OF THE DOLLAR.**RATE REMAINS FIRM AT LOW LEVEL.****SHANGHAI EFFECTS.**

Following yesterday's series of drops in the sterling value of the Hongkong dollar, although opening this morning at the low record of 1s. 4.3/16d. on demand, the rate remained firm. Throughout the morning there was no variation from this.

Yesterday, the price fell no fewer than four times, creating a new low record at each downward move. The cause for this remarkable decline was attributed generally to intense speculation on the Shanghai market.

Indications this morning were that the speculation had lessened somewhat.

Shanghai, May 29.

With new low records for silver in London and New York, the exchange market opened easy, rates being T.T. London 20 11/16 pence, two months 20 3/4 pence; and T. T. America 41 7/8.

Then onwards the market became demoralised, rates showing a continuous decline all day long. The lowest recorded were respectively for London 19 7/8 and 19 15/16; and 40 1/4 America.

At the close, sterling and gold dollars recovered, respectively to 20, 20 1/16, and 40 1/2.

Gold bars opened at \$28.80 and rose to \$29.60, then closed at \$30.60.

Four native banks and a number of Chinese silk, tobacco and piece-goods firms are reported to have gone bankrupt.—Reuter.

AMERICAN TARIFF AGREEMENT.**COMMISSION'S AUTHORITY TO BE RESTRICTED.**

Washington, May 29.

The members of the two Houses of Congress, who have been conferring with regard to the Tariff Bill, have agreed to the new flexible provision which will broaden considerably the powers of the President and restrict the authority of the Tariff Commission.

It is proposed to authorise the Tariff Commission to recommend increases and decreases up to fifty per cent. and the President can approve or let them lapse by inaction. He will not be required to disapprove of the Commission finding as was originally proposed.—Reuter's American Service.

OLYMPIC CONGRESS DECISIONS.**BROKEN TIME QUESTION SHELVED.**

Berlin, May 29.

The Olympic Congress has shelved the question of broken time on the British motion and has also decided to allow women to compete in the same events as at Amsterdam. It was further decided that the Los Angeles games shall last for sixteen days.—Reuter.

LEPER MENDICANT PROBLEM.**MAN WHO WILL PERSIST IN RETURNING.****WARNED BY BENCH.**

How to dispose of a leper mendicant, who would persist in returning to the Colony as often as he was sent away, has been a big problem for the police authorities.

The man had been deported a number of times, on each occasion a benevolent authority having given him a dollar to cover the cost of his passage to Canton and leave a substantial margin for "chow" on the way. But as often as he was sent away, he would return, to resume mendicancy in the Colony.

He was making a perfect nuisance of himself in Queen's Road Central yesterday, so it was stated, when, for the fifth or sixth time, he was taken by the "police" into custody.

Producing the man before Mr. Grantham this morning, Inspector Dick detailed the difficult position in which the police authorities were placed in regard to the disposal of the leper.

"We can't keep him in Gaol together with the other prisoners, and I don't think even if he could be allowed there, that they could do more for him than we have. There used to be a place in Canton for these lepers, but it would appear that they must have some sort of papers before being allowed in. Generally, it is through some Missionary Society that they are admitted. They used to do it at one time, but not now."

The Inspector, in reply to questions from the Bench, said the man was a very persistent offender. The police could send him to Deep Water Bay, where deported mendicants were sent, but he could return to the Colony. Cases had been revealed when these deportees by making a quick return passage on Chinese launches, had been known to arrive here ahead of the police launch by which they had been taken away.

The leper in the present case had quite a goodly collection of coppers when taken into custody. He had these coins in his hat. How much more he had on him, they could not say. "Personally, I would not care to search him. I may have a cut in the finger or something like that, and it would quite likely be a risky procedure."

The officer remarked that a warning from the Bench might have some effect on the defendant. After that was done, he would be kept in custody, but apart from other prisoners, and sent away to-night.

The most that his Worship could inflict by way of punishment was to inform the prisoner that if he ventured back again into the Colony all the money found on him would be taken away from him.

With this warning, the prisoner was taken away.

DUTCH COMPANY'S PROFITS.**DIVIDEND OF 14 PER CENT. MAINTAINED.**

Amsterdam, May 29.

The Koninklijke Paketvaart Maatschappij reports gross profits of F1,120,000, compared with F1,120,000 previously. The dividend is maintained at 14 per cent.—Reuter.

FRUIT PRICES IN SHANGHAI.**DEALERS EXPLAIN WHY THEY HAVE GONE UP.****FROST AND EXCHANGE.**

Shanghai, May 25.

Fruit prices are soaring in Shanghai, an investigation by a representative of the Shanghai Sunday Times disclosed yesterday, and certain fruit is now too expensive for many persons to buy. Bananas, for instance, have soared in price to dizzy heights, approximating an increase of several hundred per cent. over the normal prices.

Oranges, too, pomeles and mangoes are proving expensive to householders. Most persons blame the fruit dealers, feeling that they are profiteering, but such is not necessarily the case. A number of reasons have combined to bring about the increase, the investigation revealed.

The fruit dealers assert that Jack Frost has played them a mean trick. Jack, it seems, lingered too long last winter and played havoc with fruit crops, killing a large percentage of fruit trees in the South. The result is a shortage of fruit.

The dealers also point to the exchange situation as being another factor in the sharp increase in price of fruit imported from foreign countries. Bananas, oranges and pomeles, it is pointed out, are principally imported from Japan, Singapore and Formosa, and the unfavourable condition of exchange has resulted in marked increases in prices.

Be that as it may, bananas, for example, that is, of the Kwangtung variety, used to retail for from \$3 to \$5 per 100 cabbies. Try and buy them at that price now. The present price is more than five times that amount.

AMERICAN STOCKS.**CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM NEW YORK.**

The following quotations have been received from their correspondents Messrs. Hayden, Stone and Co., of New York, by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Sassoon House, Shanghai, who are not responsible for cable mutilations.

New York, May 29.

Tone of Market.—Firm.	
No. of Shares done.—2 million.	
Call Money.—3 1/2%.	
American Smelting	72
Anaconda Copper	61
Baltimore & Ohio	114
Borg Warner	37
Continental Oil	28
City Service Common	34
Curtis Wright Common	13
Eastman Kodak	240
Electric Bond & Share	108
Eric Railroad	46
General Motors	51
General Railway Signal	94
Gold Dust	45
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	86
Granby Consolidated	82
Hudson Motors	44
International Cement	37
International Nickel	33
Montgomery Ward	45
Nevada Consolidated Copper	21
Radio Corp.	55
Sears Roebuck	87
Simmons Company	37
Standard Oil Co. of New York	37
United Carbide & Carbon	86
United States Rubber	32
United States Steel	174*

* Div.

OLD PREMISES EVACUATED.**EFFECT OF OPERATIONS ON NEW THEATRE SITE.**

Pile driving operations on the foundations for the new building to be erected on the old Yee Sang Fat site caused a crack to appear yesterday in the rear of one of the houses in Ho Kwok Lane. This lane is between the back of the Morning Post building and D'Aguilar Street.

The occupants of Nos. 2 and 3 Ho Kwok Lane removed from the premises, and temporary shoring was effected.

CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSERVATIVES.**MR. DAVIDSON TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION.**

London, May 29.

The Rt. Hon. J.C.C. Davidson, chairman of the Conservative Party organisation, seen by Reuter's representative to-day, said he had tendered his resignation to Mr. Baldwin before Easter. Mr. Baldwin was consulting his colleagues on the matter.

The name of Lord Lloyd is mentioned as the possible new chairman.—Reuter.

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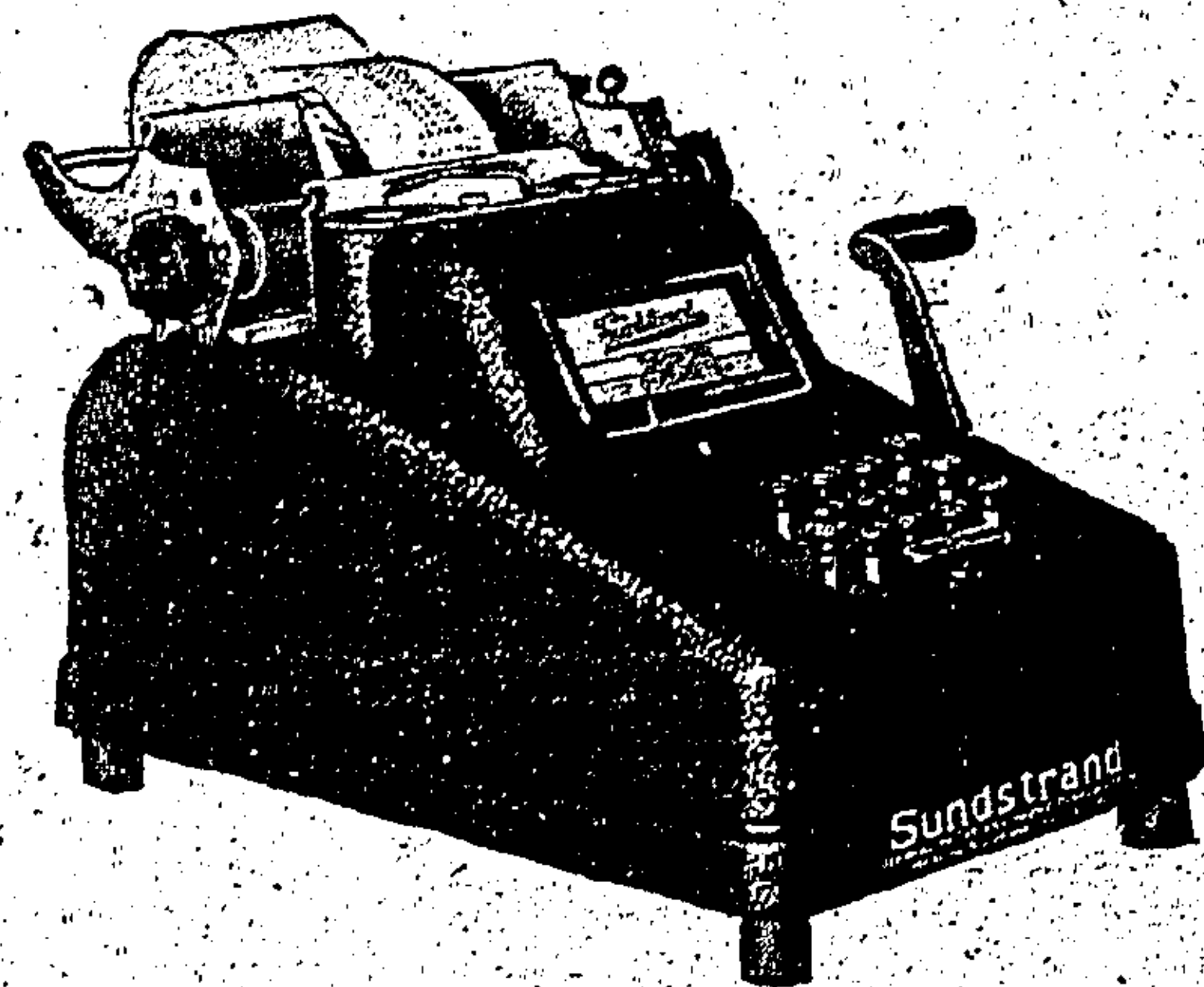
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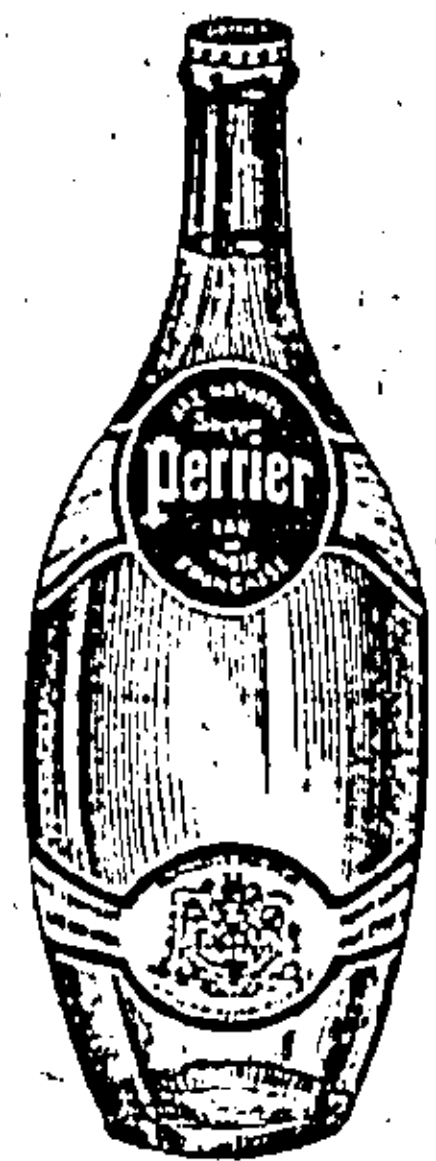
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MARINE INSURANCE.

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it affects the Society and its Affiliated Companies. You will realise that the drop in the price of silver and the consequent depreciation in the sterling value of the dollar and the tael must have an effect upon the Society's figures. For example, premium received in silver currency and interest on investments in silver securities translated into sterling will produce less pounds. This is reflected in the sterling value of the Society's Silver Reserve Fund of \$3,000,000 which at 1/7½ equals £243,750 as against £303,125 last year when the rate of exchange was 2/0½.

The amount standing to the credit of Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account is affected also, this amounting in the present balance sheet to £568,369.4.1 as against £612,819.1.9 shown in the balance sheet for the period ended 31st December, 1928.

Some Contrasts.

As I have already indicated the closing demand rate on London of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on the 31st December, 1928, was 2/0½ whilst on the 31st December, 1929, it was 1/7½. The difference between these two rates shows a depreciation in the sterling value of 19.588%. The 1928 Working Account has been adjusted to the exchange ruling on the 31st December, 1929, and in consequence the balance of the 1928 Working Account at the end of the second year after payment of an interim dividend and bonus amounting to £175,334.10.10 is £18,193.6.8 less than the 1927 Working Account at the same period. This difference, I may say, is more than accounted for by exchange and had exchange remained at no less than 2/0½ the balance would have shown some appreciation.

You will observe that our interest in the 1928 Working Account stands at £235,469.14.8 and as our dividend costs us £270,000 it would appear from the balance sheet that our interest is £34,530.8.4 less than the dividend payable. These figures are affected by exchange and do not show the position fully.

Effects on Subsidiaries.

As you are aware, the Society owns the majority of the shares in five Subsidiary Companies, viz., the British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited, the China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, the North China Insurance Company, Limited, the Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, and the Far Eastern Insurance Company, Limited. None of these companies at the present time are paying away more than their interest in dividend (except the "British Traders" which on the 1928 Account pays a small amount of £76,010.10 in excess) and in certain cases they are paying away less.

If the full interest were paid away by these Companies the interest of the Society would be increased by approximately £20,000 and I therefore estimate that at the 31st December, 1929, the interest covered the Society's dividend by all but about £15,000.

In view of the uncertainty of exchange it has been decided not to increase the dividends of the subsidiary Companies.

You will realise that a large percentage of silver investments shown in the balance sheet at £1,524,419.2.3 are represented by holdings in our subsidiary Companies, "The China Fire" and "The Yangtze" and although these Companies' capitals are in silver you will realise that they have considerable holdings in gold securities.

Society's Business.

Commenting now upon the business transacted by the Society, the result of its Marine Underwriting during the years 1928 and 1929, considering the times, has not been unsatisfactory although after payment of our final dividend for 1928 owing to the drop in exchange the amount carried to Underwriting Suspense Account is less than in the preceding year. Our Underwriting Suspense Account, however, is in a strong position to meet third years claims as these occur.

A pleasing feature of our report is that we have been able to maintain our profit on the 1929 Account as at the 31st December, 1929, as compared with the 1928 Account at the end of the first year, the balance being £440,790.1.4, this being an increase over the previous year notwithstanding the decrease in the sterling value of the dollar and the consequent decrease in the sterling equivalent of our interest.

The combined result of our Fire and General business for the year 1929 was not unfavourable and left a fair profit after setting up all the necessary reserves.

World-Wide Business.

Our business is well spread and world-wide and the Society is in a

good position to reap the benefit of any improvement in general conditions. I am confident that our organisation throughout the world is well set up and controlled and I have every confidence that the prosperity of the Society will respond to improved trading conditions.

Turning now to our investments, it will be of interest to shareholders to know that the market value of the investments held by the Society and its Affiliated Companies on the 31st December last issued in Great Britain and comprising British Government and other first-class sterling securities amounted approximately to £940,000. This figure shows a depreciation of about £43,000 as compared with the prices ruling on the 31st December, 1928. As you are aware, prices of first-class securities in the London market for various reasons were low at the close of the year. There has, however, been a good recovery since that date.

American Investments.

The Society and its Affiliated Companies have investments in the United States of America totalling a little over one million sterling, these being made up of Government Securities, Railroad Bonds, a limited number of Debentures in high-class public utility Companies and in a few industrial undertakings. The excellence of our securities in that country is borne out by the fact that the debacle which occurred last year on the New York Stock Exchange did not affect our position, our stocks showing at the end of the year an appreciation on their purchase price and further we have not a single security in that country which is not paying its interest in full. The Society's investments are very carefully looked after by your United States Managers, Messrs. Marsh & McLennan, Inc.

It will further interest you to know that with the exception of some small holdings in certain securities purchased prior to the Great War and which are valued in our books at £4,123.0.4 we have not a security on the books of the Society and/or its Affiliated Companies which is not paying its interest in full.

Deserved Tribute.

You are all aware, gentlemen, of the many difficulties with which the business of insurance has had to be faced during the last few years, these difficulties being accentuated by depressed conditions of trade. I think you will agree that under all the circumstances the position the Society finds itself in reflects credit upon the General Manager, agents and staff.

Since we last met Mr. E. W. G. de Gulyay has retired from his position of General Manager for Australasia and his resignation was accepted by your Board with regret. Mr. Gulyay was first engaged by the Society in 1907 and has given devoted and efficient service. I am sure you will all join with me in wishing him a very happy retirement.

Mr. E. Trevor Gould, the Assistant General Manager for Australasia, has been appointed to the post vacated by Mr. Gulyay and Mr. K. C. Langner has recently been appointed Assistant General Manager in the place of Mr. Gould. We all wish these gentlemen success in their new appointments.

I now propose the adoption of the report and accounts and when this has been seconded I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions you may care to ask.

Mr. Ferguson's Speech.

Mr. A. H. Ferguson said:—Mr. Chairman,—It gives me great pleasure to second the report and the accounts. We have been given ample time to examine the figures and it is most gratifying to learn the satisfactory financial position, not only of the Society itself, but of its affiliated Companies. We have listened with great interest to the very able speech from the chair. It cannot be expected with a trade depression existing all over the world that insurance business should be immune or be totally unaffected thereby. It is, however, rather to be deplored in the period under review that a great deal of ill-considered competition has in some branches of insurance at least, reduced premia to a point hardly commensurate with the risks involved.

Nevertheless, we are pleased to be given your assurance that tendencies are apparent: that underwriters generally are more prone to watch the statistics of their business, which we trust will tend to stop what you have termed haphazard underwriting, and enable Insurance Companies to obtain a more reasonable return for their services.

Gold Investments.

When we turn to the large gold investments the Society possesses, the shareholders must wish to convey their high appreciation and thanks to the General Manager and

those working with him, for the sound manner in which the investments of the Society and its affiliated Companies have been selected. The depreciation in the value of London holdings at the end of 1929 is considerable, but a large portion of this amount will have already been recouped in the quotations ruling to-day. It is most gratifying to learn, sir, that with regard to our investments in the United States amounting to over one million pounds sterling that the value of these stocks, in spite of the debacle in the New York Stock Exchange last October, did not affect our position. Also that we do not own a single security in the States that is not paying its interest in full.

Through some of its affiliated Companies being capitalised in Hongkong dollars, the Society performs large silver investments in its balance sheet, but these some Companies have their funds largely invested in gold, and this minimises the position of the low silver values.

Efficient Service.

We note the resignation of Mr. E. W. G. de Gulyay, the General Manager for Australasia, who has given the Society 23 years efficient service. I feel sure we all join our Chairman in wishing for his happy retirement and at the same time we hope for Mr. Trevor-Gould the same success his predecessor had in that field of our operations.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, in formally seconding the reports and accounts I feel sure the shareholders will concur that we are under an obligation to our General Manager, ably supported as he has been by his staff here, and in all parts of the world, for the good results achieved and I have much pleasure in heartily wishing the Society continued prosperity. I have much pleasure in seconding the report and accounts.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Business Matters.

On the proposition of Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, seconded by Mr. L. E. N. Ryan, Messrs. J. A. Plummer and J. P. Warren, the retiring directors, were re-elected to the Board.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-appointed auditors on the motion of Mr. M. Manuk, seconded by Mr. A. D. Humphreys.

Similar propositions were unanimously carried at the subsequent meetings of the British Traders' Insurance Company, Ltd., and the China Fire Insurance Company, Ltd.

The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes presided at all of the meetings, and he was supported by the following directors:—Hon. Mr. Gordon S. Mackie, Messrs. J. K. Bousfield, J. A. Plummer, D. O. Russell, J. P. Warren, Paul Lauder (General Manager).

The shareholders present included:—Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, A. E. S. Alves, G. S. Archbutt, J. D. Butcher, B. M. C. da Cunha, N. V. A. Croucher, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, L. G. S. Dudwell, R. A. Dastur, F. M. Ellis, John Fleming, A. H. Ferguson, H. C. Gray, W. F. Gardner, A. D. Humphreys, Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., J. H. Little, M. Manuk, James Park, P. H. Rolfe, V. R. V. Ribeiro, O. F. Ribeiro, L. E. N. Ryan, C. Savard Remedios, F. W. Stapleton, E. H. S. Summers, V. P. Soares, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, T. H. R. Shaw, M. A. R. Souza, Sum Pak-ming, Allan Stevenson and K. Stuart-Smith.

CHINA FIRE MEETING.

Effects of the Fall of the Dollar.

Presiding at the meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, which followed, Mr. Owen Hughes said:—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts were issued on the 8th May, and, subject to your approval, I will follow the usual procedure and take them, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read.

The Working Account for the year 1928 shows a balance of \$548,094.68. Your Directors recommend that a final dividend of \$9 per share and a bonus dividend of \$6 per share on 20,000 shares be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$300,000, and that the balance be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the Account for the year 1928.

The balance at credit of the 1929 Working Account is \$1,127,629.84. Out of this balance your Directors recommend the payment of an interim dividend of \$3 per share, absorbing \$60,000, and that the remainder be carried forward.

As was only to be anticipated, the accounts before you are affected considerably by the fall in the sterling value of the dollar at the 31st December as compared with the 31st December the previous year.

For example, you will notice that the total of the assets of the Company is increased by over \$2,000,000 as compared with the previous year. The explanation of this large increase is that the Company has a preponderance of gold assets over silver, the dollar equivalent of which is, of course, considerably augmented.

Bigger Balance.

The balance at the credit of the Working Account 1929 is over \$160,000 more than the balance of the 1928 Working Account at the corresponding period, last year, which is a satisfactory increase notwithstanding the fact that it has also been affected by exchange.

In view of the present uncertain conditions and difficulties of trade, the policy of your Directors in leaving the dividend unaltered will, I know, commend itself to you.

I now move that the Directors' report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted, and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions you may care to ask.

Mr. G. S. Archbutt seconded the report and accounts, which were unanimously adopted.

BRITISH TRADERS.

Not Greatly Affected by Exchange.

Presiding at the meeting of the British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., Mr. Owen Hughes said:—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts were issued on the 9th May, which will have given you time to study the figures, I propose, therefore, to follow the usual practice and take them, as well as the Auditors' report, as read.

The Working Account for the year 1928 after payment of an Interim Dividend of five shillings per share and a bonus of 20% to contributors, passed at the last annual meeting, shows a balance of £45,739.12.6, and your Directors recommend that a final dividend of four shillings per share on 96,000 shares be paid to shareholders, absorbing £19,200, and that the balance be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account.

LAWN TENNIS LEAGUE.

CIVIL SERVICE "B" TEAM BEAT NIPPON CLUB.

The match between the Civil Service and the Nippon Club in the "B" Division of the Lawn Tennis League was played off yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley, the home players setting the point by the odd score.

J. Barrow and D. M. McDougall (Civil Service) beat T. Fujieda and Wataka 6-3; beat T. Takemasa and K. Nakasato 9-7; lost to K. Yoshikawa and S. Kinoshita 5-7.

J. A. Bendall and F. W. Bradley beat Fujieda and Wataka 6-3; lost to Takemasa and Nakasato 7-9; beat Yoshikawa and Kinoshita 6-2.

Dr. D. J. Valentino and Balfour lost to Fujieda and Wataka 7-9; lost to Takemasa and Nakasato 2-6; beat Yoshikawa and Kinoshita 6-4.

K.C.C. Teams For To-morrow.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in their League fixtures on Saturday:

"A" Division.—Versus H. K. C. C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.—E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher, Thomas Lay and A. E. Guest, W. Hyde and G. Boediker.

"B" Division.—Versus C. S. C. C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.—J. Jack and P. B. Hamby, A. T. Lee and W. M. Gittins, F. Grose and J. Mackintosh.

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STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

9.16 a.m.—D. J. Keogh and E. D. Lawrence.
9.20 a.m.—Dr. Dovey and G. B. S. Thomson.
9.24 a.m.—S. Berg and G. W. Reeve.
9.28 a.m.—O. Eagar and A. D. Humphreys.
9.32 a.m.—R. M. Wood and I. Hight.
9.36 a.m.—A. F. Judg and A. C. Meredith.
9.40 a.m.—W. C. Shields and D. G. G. Macdonald.
9.44 a.m.—N. K. Littlejohn and J. S. Dykes.
9.48 a.m.—H. C. Shrubsole and L. E. Lamert.
9.52 a.m.—G. B. Drumett and G. R. More.
9.56 a.m.—I. H. Goare and A. E. Lissaman.
10.00 a.m.—Comdr. Priestley and J. Stuart.
10.04 a.m.—L. S. Greenhill and E. D. Matthews.

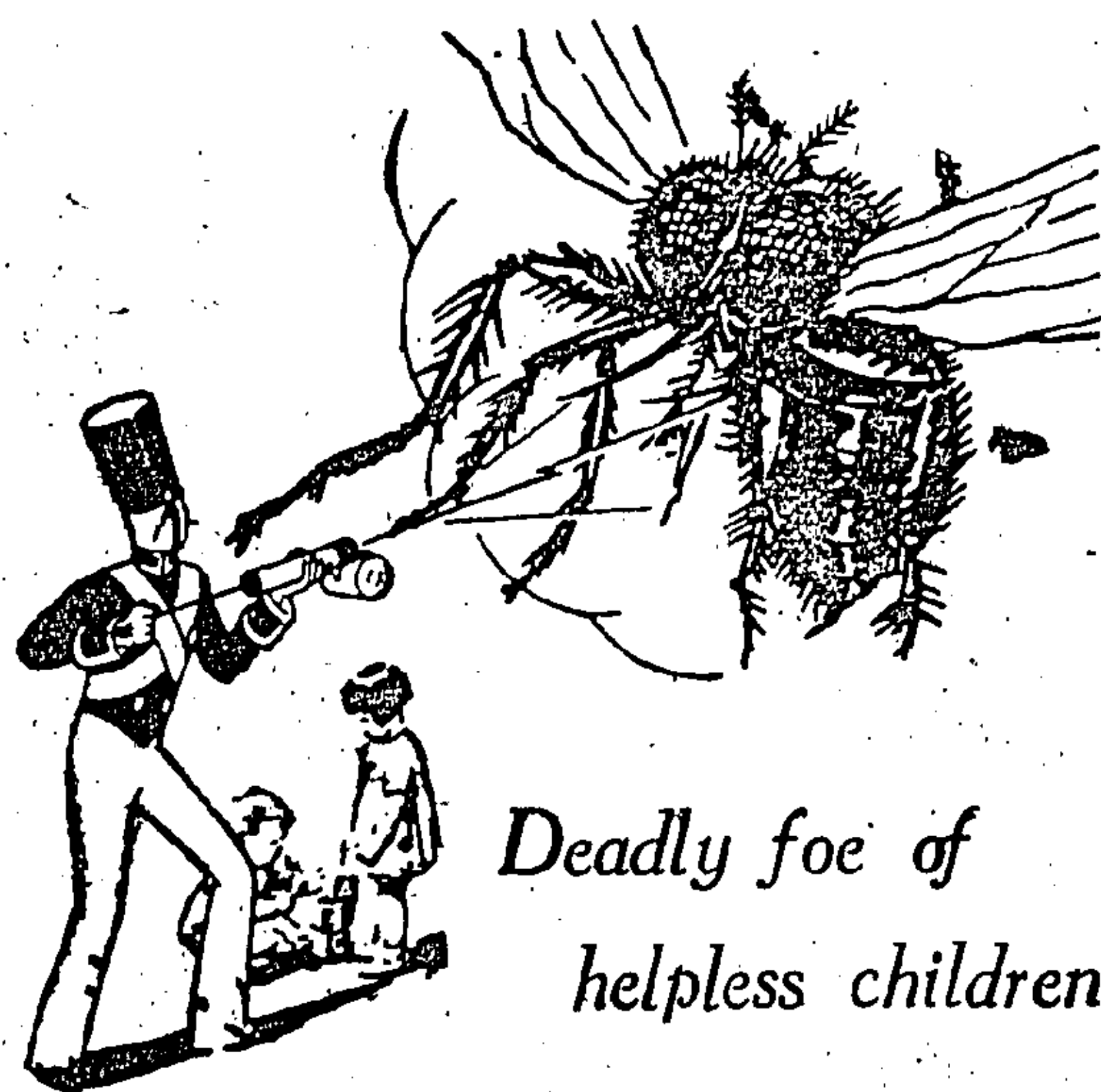
The balance of Working Account for the year 1929 stands at £174,658.17.6. Out of this balance your Directors recommend the payment of an interim dividend of five shillings per share, absorbing £24,000, and that a bonus of 20% on bonus terms, absorbing about £10,000, and that the remainder be carried forward.

The Account of this Company have not been greatly affected by the position of exchange owing to the fact that such a large proportion of its assets are in sterling.

The Working Account balance for the year 1928 shows approximately the same total as the 1927 Account as at the end of the second year. The 1929 Working Account shows an increase of £10,000.8.5 as compared with the 1928 Account as at the same period.

I now move that the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions you may care to ask.

Mr. H. C. Gray seconded and the resolution was adopted without dissension.



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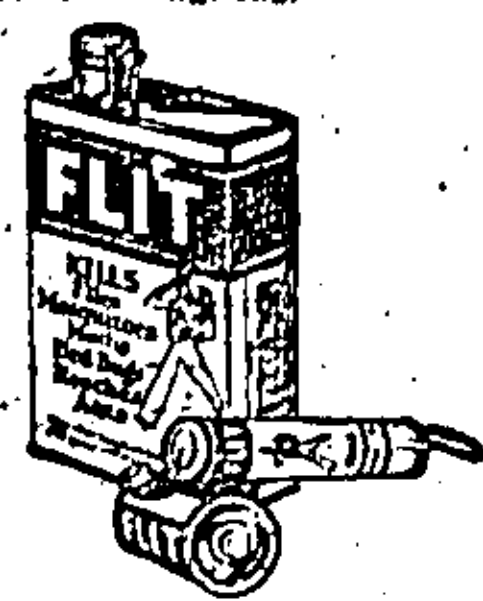
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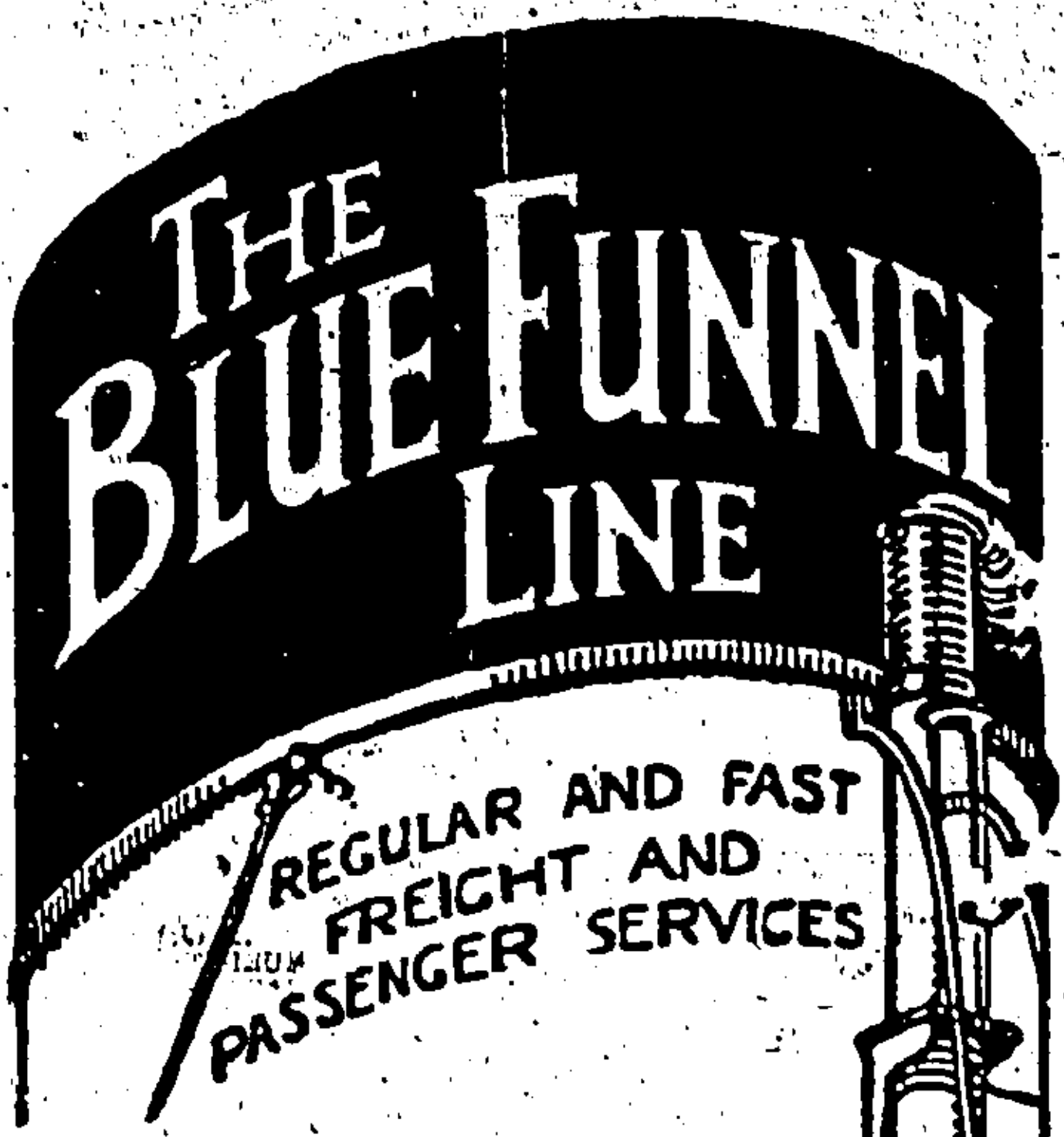
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THE TANDA MURDER TRIAL RESUMED.

STATEMENT MADE BY THE PRISONER PRODUCED.

The defence in the Tanda murder trial against a Japanese passenger, Yamada, who appeared on remand before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, revealed that the deceased, the Chinese passenger cook of the vessel, had been accused of taking money from the prisoner who had gone to his cabin to demand its return.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy appeared for the Crown, the prisoner being unrepresented.

The prisoner is charged with murdering Fung Sau-sham, on board the s.s. Tanda whilst the vessel was on the high sea prior to reaching Sandakan on May 5. It is alleged that the prisoner went to the cook's cabin and, armed with a chopper and a knife, hacked the man to death.

Dr. J. T. Smalley, medical officer of the Kowloon Mortuary on May 15, gave evidence of the post mortem examination and described various wounds which were on the deceased's body. He bore out evidence given by the surgeon of the Tanda at the previous hearing.

The statement made by the prisoner in answer to the charge was produced. The prisoner told the Police that when he left Townsville he had in his possession the sum of £84, but of this he had lost £71 in gambling. He kept his money in a bag tied round his waist. On the day before the crime the deceased asked him for £10 but prisoner thought he was joking. That same night he again met the cook who produced a pistol, which he pointed at prisoner and asked for £50. At that moment a passenger was seen approaching and the cook put the pistol away, at the same time threatening that if the prisoner said anything about the incident, something would happen to him. Committed for Trial.

Shortly afterwards prisoner went to sleep in a corner of the hatch but sometime after one o'clock, he opened his eyes and felt his hands and legs numbed while his head was heavy. He felt for his money but found it was missing. He went to the cook's cabin, taking a knife and chopper with him for his own protection. The cook was lying on his bunk awake. When the prisoner asked the cook for the return of his money, the Chinese put his hand behind him. Thinking that he was reaching for a pistol, prisoner "swung the knife," touching the electric light which then went out. "I heard the cook shouting; after that I don't remember anything," concluded the prisoner in his statement.

The case for the Crown having closed the prisoner added a brief statement to what he had already said to the Police. He intimated that when he went to the cook's cabin the Chinese asked if he had gone for the return of his money. Prisoner replied in the affirmative, and stretched out his hand but the cook answered "no, no, never." The prisoner was committed to take his trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

In reply to the Magistrate, Mr. Fitzroy intimated that he would be making an application for a special Sessions for June 6 when the Tanda would be in port.

NEW WING AT THE Y.M.C.A.

NEED FOR GREATER ACCOMMODATION.

The Directors of the Y.M.C.A., having been impressed for some time with the urgent need of more adequate accommodation for the growing work of the Association, both in the Civilian and Services Sections, have under contemplation the erection of a wing to the present building on Salisbury Road, Kowloon.

This wing, which it is anticipated will be 105 feet in length and 36 feet in width, will be erected to the height of the present building, but with four floors instead of five. The first two floors in the wing will be equivalent in height to three in the present building.

The ground floor of the proposed new wing will consist of a swimming bath, with its necessary adjuncts. This bath will be available for the use of civilian members, members of the Services and others, as the Directors may decide.

The floor above the bath, it is thought, will include a hall, and a lounge which it is proposed to open to ladies. The hall and the lounge will be used by members and the Navy, Army and Air Force Section for lectures, dances, entertainments, etc.

The two upper floors will have 24 bedrooms. These will help to meet an urgent demand for additional good sleeping accommodation for the Services.

It is proposed, we believe, when the wing is completed, to devote the whole of the ground floor of the present building to the use of the Services.

The cost of this building extension is estimated at \$150,000. The architects are Messrs. Leigh and Orange.

TRIALS OF CHINA MISSIONARIES.

LADY DIES OF TYPHUS IN FAMINE AREA.

Peking, May 29.

The Famine Relief Committee reports that for the first time in the history of the organisation, a member has died of violence, namely Liu Li-tien, who was murdered at Satchon canal, Suiyuan, by criminals attempting to prey on the organisation by inflicting levies on labour and materials.

Typhus is raging in the famine areas, and Miss Garland, of the China Inland Mission at Hweihshien has succumbed to this disease. Everyone in Sianfu is eating sulphur as a preventive, as "the place is full of typhus."

Missionaries Still Held.

A hitch has occurred in the release of Mr. and Mrs. Porteus, as the Communist committee now demands \$60,000 as a ransom. A C. I. M. representative went to the bandit stronghold recently, expecting to obtain their release, as it was thought the bandits had agreed to accept a small sum in payment of the expenses during captivity.—Reuter.

A JEWISH CLUB FUNCTION.

PORTRAIT OF MR. J. E. JOSEPH UNVEILED.

There was a large gathering at the Jewish Recreation Club last night, when an oil-colour portrait of Mr. J. E. Joseph, a leading member of the Club, was unveiled on the eve of his departure for Europe on holiday.

Mr. Joseph Gould, President of the Club, addressed the gathering as follows:

"Ladies and gentlemen,—I am sure each and every one of us is very pleased to take part in this informal function of unveiling a portrait of that true friend and supporter of our Club, Mr. J. E. Joseph, as a mark of tribute for all that he has done in its welfare.

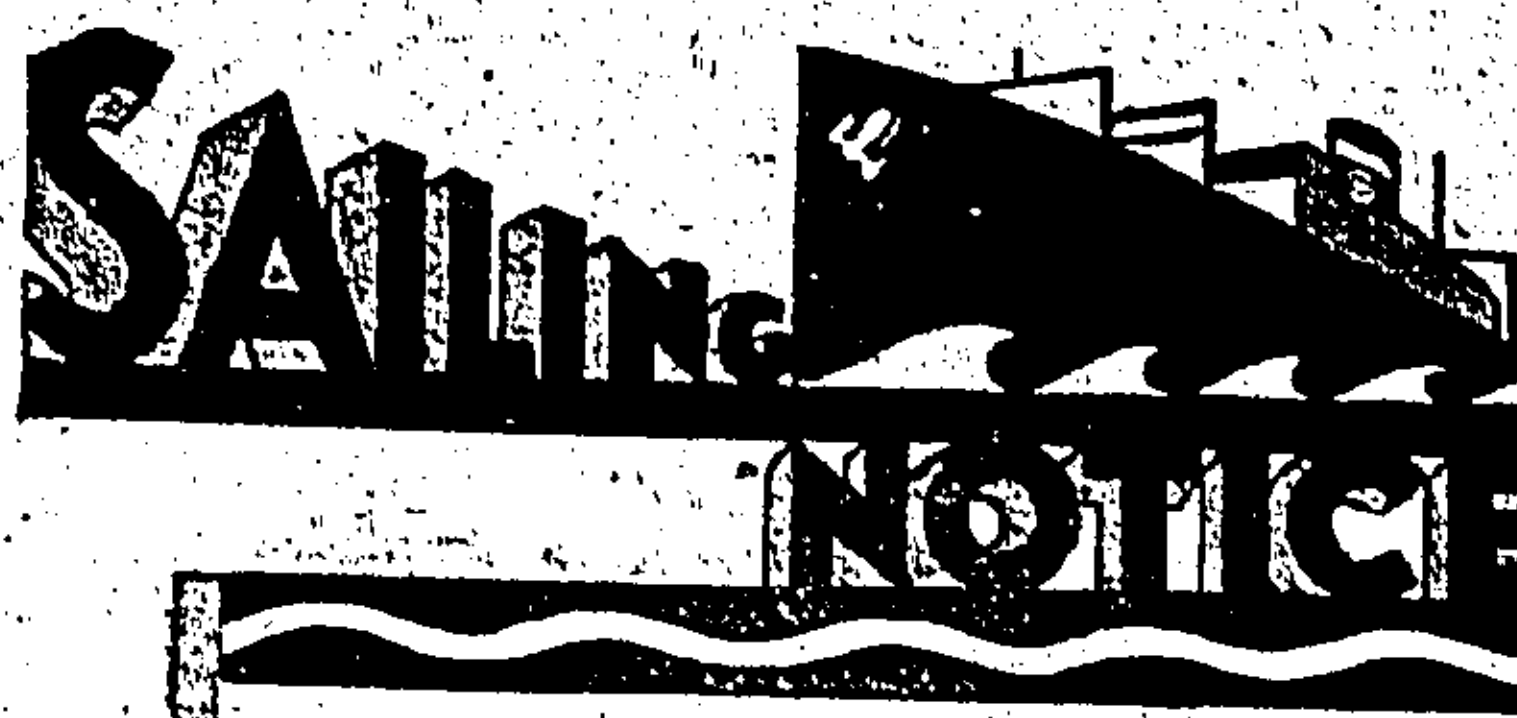
It has long been the desire of his friends here to express to him in some tangible form, other than verbal, how deeply grateful we were for the services he has so unstintingly rendered to improve the amenities of this Club. When, therefore, we learned that a noted Hungarian artist, Mr. E. A. von Kobza, B.A., was in the Colony, we decided to seize the opportunity of commissioning him to undertake the work of painting our friend. Then, a difficulty arose. Mr. Joseph, with his well-known dislike of all form of publicity, positively refused to grant a sitting to the artist. Well, ladies and gentlemen, we also refused to take no for an answer, and gave Mr. Joseph no peace until he finally consented to give one sitting, with the happy result which you will presently see. I am confident that in the years to come, when you look at that portrait, you will feel pride in the fact that its original is fit to stand side by side with that other benefactor of our Club, Sir Elly Kadoorie, whose portrait hangs on the other wall near by.

Ladies and gentlemen, we are proud of Mr. Joseph for three reasons—we are proud of him as a member of our community; we are proud of him because he has risen to eminence in the business world of Hongkong by sheer force of character and by his own unaided efforts; but, we are proudest of him for his sterling qualities and his goodness of heart. I doubt if many of you really know how much good he does by stealth, both within the community and without.

Well, I don't wish to detain you much longer, but may I say this, that I hope, I am sure we all hope, this portrait will serve the purpose of first of all reminding Mr. Joseph, whenever he enters this room and looks up at his picture, that his fellow-members are at least not unresponsive, and secondly that it will act as an incentive to the growing members of the community to emulate his example and to do likewise. (Applause).

Turning to Mr. Joseph, Mr. Gould said:—"Much as we all regret your departure, we know that it is for the benefit of your health, and so, we bid you God-speed and a safe and pleasant journey. We hope to see you back fully restored to health to carry on your good work."

He then asked Mrs. Gould to unveil the portrait. This having been done, Mr. Joseph thanked the lady and the whole gathering in an appropriate speech.



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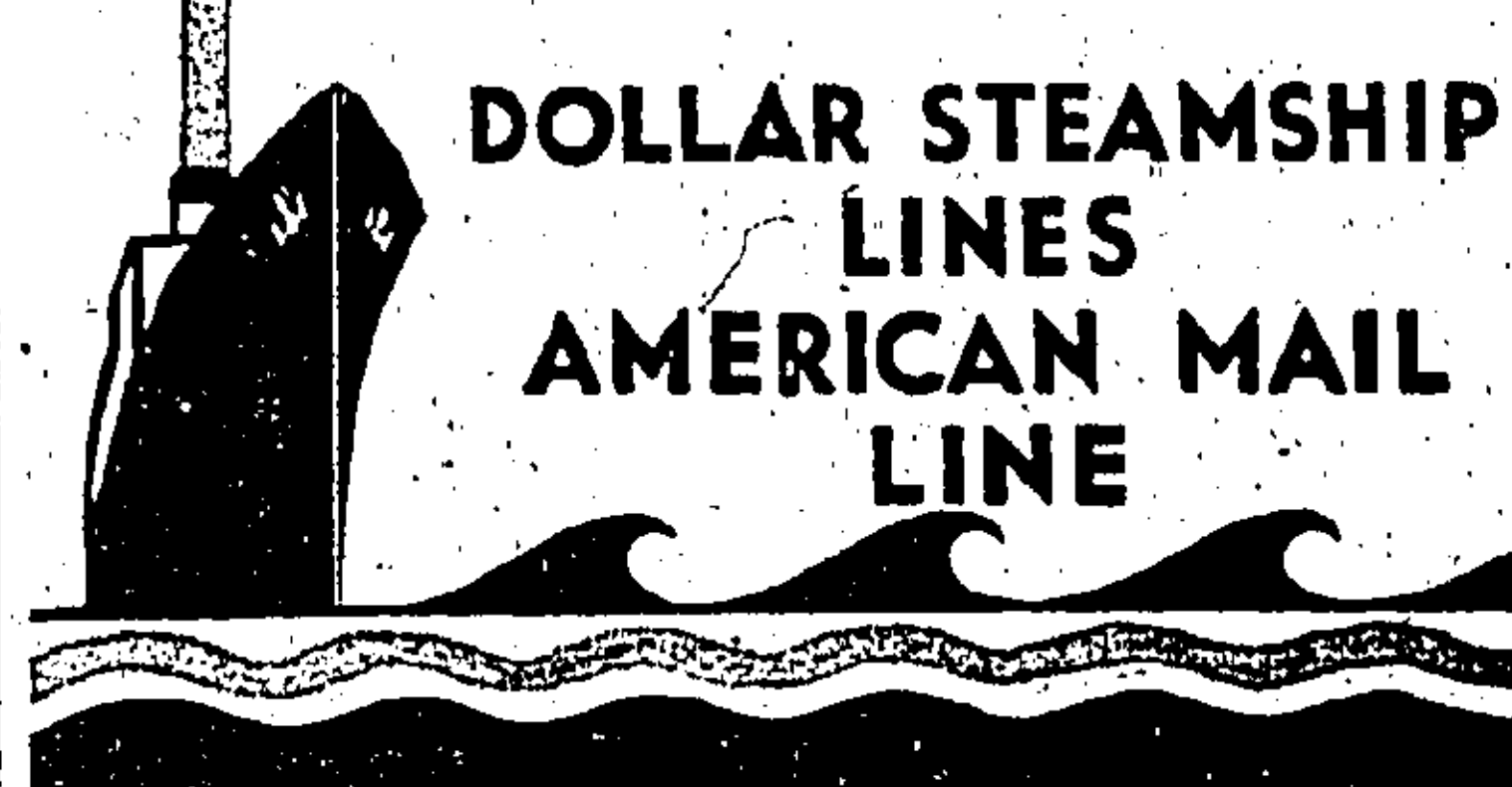
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The Falling Dollar.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I am inclined to agree with various letters which have recently appeared in your columns in favour of either stabilizing the value of the Hongkong dollar, or alternatively, putting Hongkong on a gold basis. The appointment of a local currency commission is a very short but uncertain step in the right direction. It is, however, on a par with calling a Committee of distinguished citizens to decide whether or not a house shall be allowed to burn to the ground. If the services of a qualified outside currency commission are not requisitioned soon, it will be the equivalent of permitting the house to burn down before deciding the difficult question of whether the Fire Department should or should not be notified.

There is no question but that the currency of Hongkong can be straightened out in a way that will result to the very great and permanent benefit of the average resident and business man. The Philippine Islands, Straits Settlements, French Indo China, India, Japan, and Chile have all discarded silver for gold during the past comparatively few years. That action has been an unqualified success in all of the places named. Beyond any doubt whatever, it would be an equal success in Hongkong.

This matter of changing from silver to gold is nothing that requires extraordinary initiative or cleverness on the part of the local authorities. It is merely an "old International Custom." There is nothing about this custom veiled by any particular mystery. However, the house is still burning and the authorities have not yet decided that the Fire Department should be notified at once. Nero fiddled while Rome burned. Hongkong is doing a similar thing.

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING OF LOCAL LODGE YESTERDAY.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society was held at 7, Queen's Road Central, yesterday evening, with Mr. M. Manuk presiding.

The retiring President, Mr. J. Russell, reporting on the year's work, said they had spent a helpful session, and they had much for which to thank Mrs. May, their Secretary and Treasurer. He welcomed Mr. Manuk back, and said they looked forward to enjoying more inspiration from his profound knowledge. He had already held the Presidential office, and they hoped he would do so for some time to come.

Mr. Russell proposed the election of Mr. Manuk to the office of President of the Lodge, this being seconded by Mrs. M. May and carried.

Other officers elected were:—Vice-president, Mr. J. Russell; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. I. H. Othen; Hon. Librarian, Mrs. B. Fant. The committee is to be elected at a later date.

After an address to the meeting on the principles and aims of the Society, the proceedings were brought to a close.

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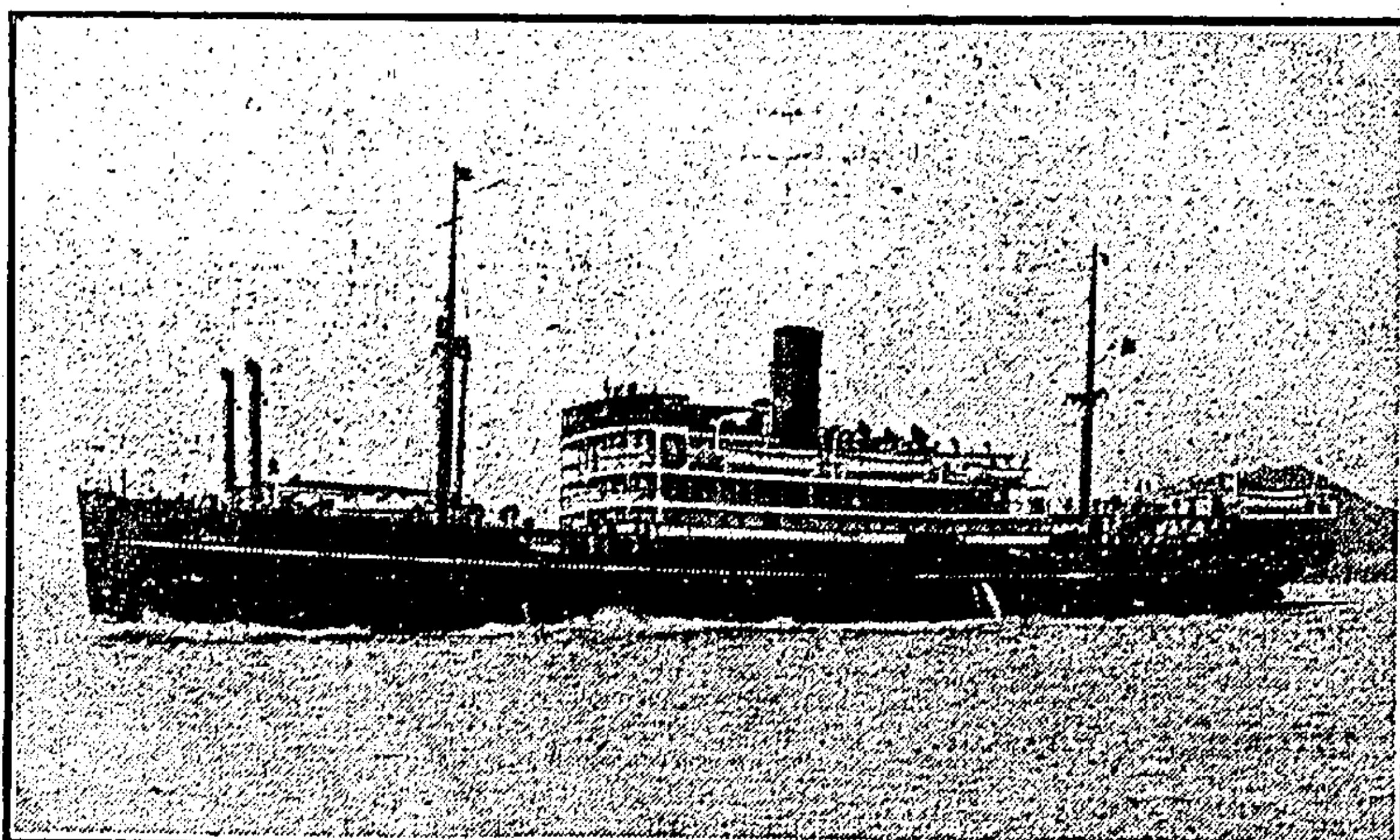
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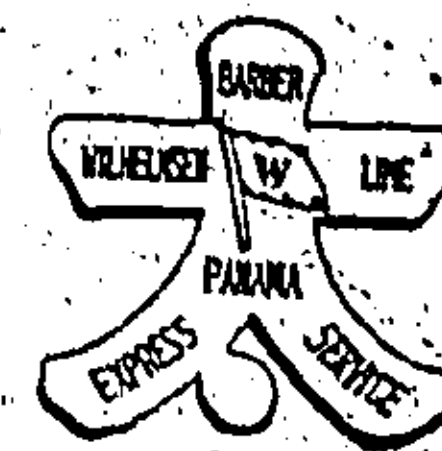


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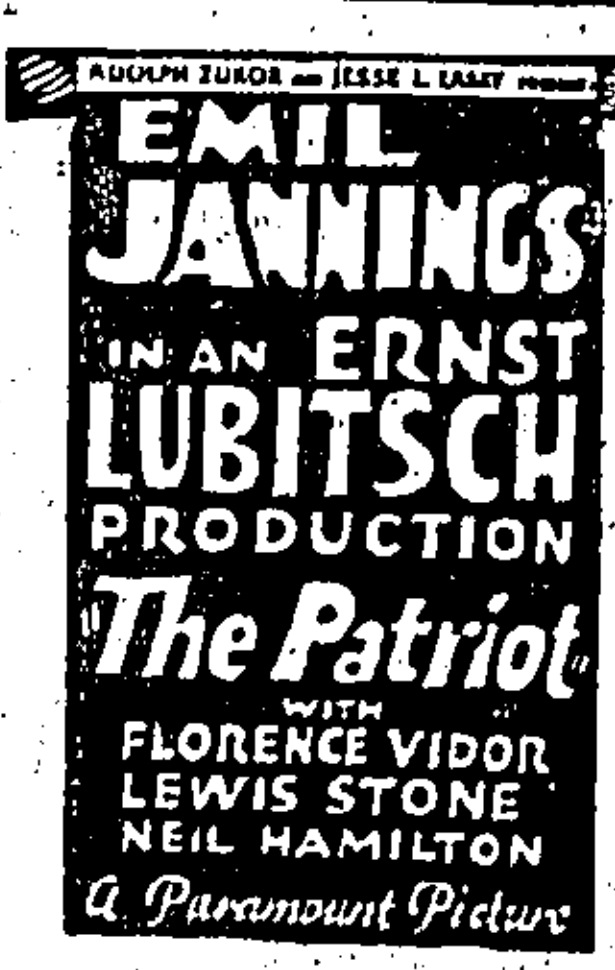
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OLYMPIC GAMES IN JAPAN.

ARGUMENT FOLLOWS DRAW IN
SOCCER MATCH.

CHAMPIONSHIP TIES.

Tokyo, May 29.
In the Olympic Games here
Japan clinched the baseball title
by defeating the Chinese in a wild
and ragged contest by seventeen
runs to ten.

In swimming, Japan secured a
further two firsts, the hundred
yards back stroke and the fifty
yards free style. China beat
Japan by 21 points to 18 and 21
points to 19 in the men's volley-
ball contest making China tie with
the Philippines. The match for
the title will be played to-morrow.

In the women's volley-ball con-
test, Japan beat the Philippines by
21 points to nil in both games.

Japan sprang a surprise in the
soccer match, drawing with China.
The Chinese did most of the at-
tacking, but their shooting was
erratic. At half time the score
was one goal each. Japan led by
three goals to two within three
minutes of time when Wong Shui-
wa gave the Chinese the equaliser.

The Chinese wanted to play
extra time to settle the champion-
ship, but the Japanese refused.
Subsequently, the sides failing to
reach an agreement, the F.E.A.A.
soccer committee declared that
the championship was a tie and that
there would be no further play.

Japan won the men's tennis
championship without the loss of a
single match. Nani beat Lum
6-3, 6-1, 6-4.

Instead of the scheduled singles
between Khoo and Sato, in which
Khoo defaulted, an exhibition dou-
bles match was played. Sato and
Kawachi beat Lum and Khoo 4-6,
7-5, 6-1, 0-6, 6-2.

In the women's tennis singles,
Kobayashi beat Gloria Lee 6-0, 6-2
and beat Lucy Lee 6-0, 6-1. Gloria
Lee beat Jimura (Japan) 4-6, 6-4,
6-2, giving Japan the victory by
three matches to two.

In the basketball contest Japan
beat the Philippines by 38 to 29.
This makes the championship a tie
and it will be played off to-morrow.
—Reuter.

HUGE HAILSTONES AT POSEH.

CURIOUS STORM VISITS
WESTERN KWANGSI.

Nanning, May 17.
Western Kwangsi was the scene
of a most unusual hailstorm
recently. Information has been
received here to the effect that
huge hail stones fell at Poseh on
May 4 for an hour, some of the
stones weighing two pounds.
Tremendous damage was caused
to property.

The mission houses suffered
particularly, half the tiles being
broken and many panes of glass in
the windows being smashed.
Up to the present, there is no
record of any lives being lost.
Our Own Correspondent.

PHILIPPINE REBELS ESCAPE.

UNDERGROUND PASSAGE
USED IN SEIGE.

Manila, May 30.
Following a night-long bom-
bardment of the Moro fortress,
using Stokes' mortars, tear gas
and machine gun and rifle fire, the
Constabulary Forces entered the
Sultan of Ganassi's stronghold.
They found it empty, the Moro
defenders having fled to the hills
through a cunningly devised
underground passage.

Patrols were hurriedly organis-
ed and they are starting immedi-
ately to round up the outlaws, who
are believed to be making for other
fortified cottas.—Reuter.

MAY 30 ANNIVERSARY IN SHANGHAI.

SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS BEING
TAKEN.

Shanghai, May 29.
The police and Volunteers have
taken precautionary measures for
to-morrow, which is the anniver-
sary of the clash between police
and strikers in 1926.

No serious trouble is anticipated.
—Our Own Correspondent.

OIL EXPLOITATION.

NEW CONCESSIONS IN THE
EAST INDIES.

Amsterdam, May 29.
A Bill has been introduced to au-
thorise the exploitation of oil by
the Dutch Colonial Oil Company in
six grounds and by the Bataafsche
Oil Company in ten grounds in the
Dutch East Indies.—Reuter.

BETTING ON THE DERBY.

THREE TO ONE TAKEN ON THE
FAVOURITE.

RIDERS RESHUFFLED.

London, May 29.

The Beaufort Club call-over on
the Derby to-day was as follows:
Diolite.—Three to one taken
and offered.

Ruston Pasha.—Six to one
offered, thirteen to two taken.

Silver Flare.—Hundred to nine
offered, hundred to eight taken.

Ballyferis.—Hundred to eight
offered.

Trews.—Hundred to eight
offered.

Blenheim.—Hundred to six
offered, twenty to one taken.

Caerleon.—Twenty to one taken
and offered.

Ilad.—Twenty to one.

Noble Star.—Twenty to one.

Scout Second.—Twenty to one.

Parthenon.—Twenty-five to
one offered.

Revised Probables.

The list of probable starters and
jockeys, revised to-day, is as fol-
lows:

Trews (R. Dick).
Sponger (R. Perryman).

Silver Flare (Elliott).
Sea Rover (M. Wing).

Caerleon (Weston).
Ballyferis (Canty).

Cartello (H. Graves).
Grand Salute (Clifford
Richards).

Landdowne (Gordon Richards).
Diolite (Cecil Ray).

Bargany (Carslake).
Ruston Pasha (Beary).

Blenheim (H. Wragg).
Strongbow (—).

Parthenon (J. Leach).
Noble Star (Harry Beasley).

Scer (Jellis).
Tetragem (A. Wragg).

Adlon (F. Winter).
Scout the Second (Joe Childs).

Dick Swiveller (Pat Beasley).
Parthenon (Fox).—Reuter.

Diolite, the favourite, is owned
by Sir Hugo Hirst and won the
2,000 Guinea Stakes on May 7
from Paradine and Silver Flare in
a field of 28. He is by Diophon
out of Needle Rock, and had five
outings as a two-year-old, winning
three races, and being placed in
both the others.

Chiang Reported Wounded.

Peking, May 29.

All the vernacular papers
publish many details of the Nan-
king reverse on the Lung-hai rail-
way, agreeing that the allies
attacked the Nationalist troops
on the front, flank and at the rear.

It is persistently reported that
Chiang Kai-shek was wounded in
the arm, and has retired to rest
at Hsuechow. Hitherto there is no
confirmation or denial of this
from Nanking.

Two thousand Shansi troops
are reported to have crossed the
Yellow River at Tsingcheng, and
others at other points east and
west of the railway. Han Fu-chu
has hastened to Chowtsun to
meet the invaders.—Reuter.

AMERICA AND THE
FAR EAST.

ADMIRAL CRITICISES THE
NAVAL TREATY.

Washington, May 29.

The Senate Naval Committee to-
day concluded hearing evidence in
regard to the London Naval
Treaty. The final witnesses in-
cluded Admiral Robinson, who
testified that the United States
would get an insufficient number
of ships with eight inch guns and
too many with six inch guns. He
argued that the concessions to
Japan under the Treaty amounted
to partial surrender of American
sovereignty of the Philippines.

"We are worse off in every com-
batant vessel," he declared. "We
shall find ourselves in insurmount-
able difficulties in the Far East.
I don't mean that we should lose
a war but we should have a hard
time winning it."

Two Senators expressed the
opinion that reservations to the
Treaty were necessary.

The Senate passed the Bill pro-
viding \$80,000,000 for the Navy.
—Reuter's American Service.

TO RAISE SCHOOL LEAVING AGE.

EDUCATION BILL PASSES ITS
SECOND READING.

BENEFITS OUTLINED.

London, May 29.

The House of Commons to-day
passed the second reading of the
Government's Education Bill by
280 votes to 223. The Bill provides
for the raising of the school leaving
age from fourteen to fifteen years.

The President of the Board of
Education, Sir Charles Trevelyan,
moved the second reading and ex-
plained that half a million children
were involved each year. The Gov-
ernment desired to keep them out
of the labour market. By giving
them another year in school, com-
petition of children in labour would
obviously be reduced.

Work would thus be provided
for 100,000 to 150,000 people to
replace them, while 8,000 additional
teachers would be required. Under
the new proposals there would be a
saving in unemployment benefit of
about three million pounds.

He added that the Bill would pro-
vide maintenance and allowances
for the children of poorer families
when they went to school for the
extra year. The total cost of rais-
ing the school age would be five and
a half million pounds, and to ac-
commodate the children in view of
the proposed leaving age change a
hundred new schools were being
built. In addition enlargements to
350 schools were going on at the
present time.

Lord Eustace Percy voiced objec-
tion to the Bill and moved its re-
jection. He said he was opposed
to the compulsory element contain-
ed in it.—Reuter and British Wire-
less.

UNITED STATES OF
EUROPE.

REPLIES BY NATIONS NOT
VERY ENCOURAGING.

Paris, May 29.

Commenting on M. Briand's
plan for the organisation of the
United States of Europe, M.
Poincare thinks that the welcome
accorded the plan by the nations
to which it has been addressed is
polite but generally not encourag-
ing.

It has been made apparent that
Europe (if such an entity exists)
still has many stages to pass
before attaining the goal aimed
at.

M. Poincare raises the question
of whether the Soviet and Great
Britain would join, and challenges
the suggestion that Britain should
keep out of the United States of
Europe because of her position in
a world Empire.

France is in a more embarrassing
position because Parliament has
Colonial representatives entitled
to interpellate the Government
in regard to what is happening in
the European association.—Reuter.

SUBMARINE TO BORE
THROUGH ICE.

ONSELETE VESSEL FOR SIR
HUBERT WILKINS.

Washington, May 29.

Sir Hubert Wilkins, together
with several members of the pro-
posed expedition to the Arctic,
recently applied for permission to
take the American Navy's obsolete
submarine, P12, and convert it to
an under-sea craft capable of
boring through the ice of the Polar
regions.

Sir Hubert Wilkins has now
been authoritatively informed
that the request will be granted if
an application is made through the
Shipping Board.—Reuter's Ameri-
can Service.

THE SETTLE RANGOON
TROUBLES.

GOVERNOR APPOINTS A
CONCILIATION BOARD.

Rangoon, May 29.

The Governor has appointed a
Conciliation Board to work out the
details of a settlement of the
present troubles by allocating a
proportion of ships to Burmese
labour. The stevedores, shipping
agents, the Burma Chamber of
Commerce and the British India
Steam Navigation Co., together
with some influential Burmese,
have agreed in principle to a
settlement on these lines.—Reuter.

HENLI REGATTA.

Shanghai, May 29.

The Kiangsu Government has
granted permission for the holding
of the Henli Regatta. The event
will accordingly take place on June
8th.—Our Own Correspondent.

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